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NORVIN GREEN, President.

New Orleans 1880

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To Ed Baker Jr. Boston 3rd

Arrived per steamer Wanderer
Acadia broke machinery fourteenth
and was towed to Belize

Paid 3 x 1 wds

Ed D. Baker

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Nov 23 188 2

L D Baker Jr

Per Morant

My Dear Son

I intended to write you a long letter before I left but I have delayed it to long as I am just off for New York. Elisha will do the best he can for you in business

I have written Henry Brothers that I would not allow you to put any sweet potatoes on board the W. B. Hopkins but if they are sweet potatoes you can put some onboard as we do not require them particularly. Get all we can and all you can get at a good advantage. Make your freight for the steamer

Mother will come up in the organ I told her that I did not think it advisable for you to ride down. I for her to telegraph for you not to come

Remember me to Mr Baker. Good Bye

Father

L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 19th

L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

L D Baker Jr
Park Mount

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 28th 1883

My Dear Son

I fear we have no nails such as are required for Dice to put into that Longboat he must wait until I consult to America for some which will take about three weeks Mr House can give him some other job so he can work until they come

There is nothing new going on here I saw Capt Williams the diver he spoke very encouragingly about raising the Calvert of Mont. I shall write Mr Lowther an offer on her

Who have you in view for a Rudder for Phillipsfield

Your affectionate
Father L D B

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

L D Baker Jr
Port Morant

Port Antonio, Jamaica July 29th 1883

My Dear Son

We are in receipt of your letter this morning & would say you know best what you can give & who to buy your fruit of if you cannot accommodate Morehelect this time you must give him a chance next week. We telegraphed you this morning to buy cocoanuts you will be obliged to arrange the price according to the times there is but little chance of loosing so long as they do not cost you over 8$/0 clean & selected

I am just going down to see Mr Esperte at Spring Garden

We have nothing different for boat planks than what you have & the nails we will send for

With much regards
Father

L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Sept-8th 1883

L D Baker Jr
Port Morant

My Dear Son We telegraphed you this morning telling you we want the 3 or 4 Coloured men you for Monday 20th & then received telegram directed to Mr House about Carpenters & immediately telegraphed we needed the Carpenters here & if the Wellfleet comes pl- load of nuts she would come & have seen your answer then the Wellfleet would get the nuts so we never sent away this coming We are a little afraid of the weather though the Barometer does not indicate any trouble near by. We have some Coolie Barracks to build & our Wharf Stores to enlarge & a well to build & if we buy the "Calvert" Mr House will not return for some time Glad there are two Carpenters coming

Thanks for the Weatherisms have the Doctor

Where for Wharf stores

this time you will be gone from
We have news from Hosta
also Baltimore that they have
a schooner on the way and with
Lumber & Flour also letter from
Capt Freeman saying he was
building a steamer and to be named
L O Baker if we request but I don't
think would like a steamer named
for us the night not be a success
then we would feel worse than
though they had never named
one for us Should Harts
schooner come would you want
the White Pine Lumber some of the
Flour, say pick up all the
nuts you can we shall need
them for the small vessels we
soon be coming

With Kindest regards
Hector Father
Frank

Lorenzo D Baker
Pat Morrow

Pat Andrews
Sept 10th 1853

My dear Lou Enclosed please find Your Mothers letter which I know you will enjoy reading as she says. That she has not written you thinking you would soon be home as I told her I would send you home but you know my poor boy we have no one that can take your place while Mr Baker was away & you see by his letter which I enclose that it will be some time before he gets back if he comes back at all.

I shall write to Mr Fillery and if he takes it he will soon return if he does not we shall make some other shift - so you can go home for Mother the first of September. We can let Geo Davis take your place for

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers.

Loren D Baker

Port Nuevo

Port Antonio, Jamaica Sept 12th 1883

My Dear Son,

The Wellfleet came in yesterday was discharged immediately & her cargo of nuts B/L 6200 only Contained 5056 this is too much of a fall short. There must have been some carelessness on the part of your wharfinger. Such errors will never do. I have sent him a letter & told him his services would not be required after the first of January next.

Suppose Elisha has given you all the news by this time.

Mr Hosel has dug us a well back the office & has found good water. The new carpenters work well. You can tile by nuts be careful that they are not heavy & green.

With kindest regards

Father

Too much

left

Good

Have

L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

L D Baker Jr
Wellfleet Mass

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Oct 23d 1883

My Dear Son

I will drop you a few lines though perhaps you or one from my way out before this will reach you, We have got along very well since you have been home bought fruit once since Mr Adams attended to it got a fine lot of fruit about two bunches We are buying up them this week for the "island" Mr Baker is now attending to it - we expect to get 1000 bunches have not bought any nuts lately as the most of the nuts are now green about Port Morant

Mr Baker has not said anything about what he wants to do the season to come has not mentioned anything about Phillipsfield I now put pote

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Fruit Dealers,

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to work fencing it & shall have the tenant houses all ready by the time you get back. I am thinking of placing Mr Baker at Moran Bay & let him attend to that business though it has not developed itself enough yet. Mr Baker sent us about fifty barrels of oranges from Blue Mountain which are splendid fruit, if we could get them free of bruises we could ship them & make money on it fast. I see no chance but we must build a wharf at Moran Bay. Mr House goes up this week to finish the Coconut House & then he will begin immediately on the Moran Bay wharf. I don't think he will be long about it. He went down to Orangebasin & surprised the natives by hurrying up House in one week. [illegible]

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was never known before about that place. We shall have the Athos in the morning & the Alvenia next Saturday so we shall have a busy week. the two ships will take 24000 bunches

The Athos will have 12000 Bananas & 15000 barrels of oranges 50000 Cocoanuts & the Alvenia will have 12000 Bananas & 200 tbls oranges 50000 nuts so we are busy all the time

We had a great fire here last Tuesday night Mr Sutherlands boy went down below to draw some proof Rum with a open light - & burnt up Mr Sutherlands house with Mr Ganers & DeCostas Lodgings (Pettiwell house) Nugents house & Escoffery House & store the buildings between that & Mr Atkins store but did not burn his store, we all went to the fire

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workers as hard as we could
Gover Gr Nicolles house & Charley
Coles house & H W Escoffreys house
which were on fire at least
a dozen times. There never was
yet a time in Port Antonio before
the worse-off there was not
a shilling insurance on them
the town looks dessolate at
night - all black darkness at
the corner. Then old Rum
Miller burnt well I was glad
to see them go but when it came
to burning the dwellings then we
went to work. We had known
Schorneck & Mathew & Oke
& Brice & about twenty others
but men so we could work
an advantage & the boys did
good work.

We have had no heavy breezes
to affect the Bananas they
are looking fine We heard from
our Bananas they are to have two

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They arrived in splendid order & sold well & Mess Lewis Harrison & Forwood are writing to Capt Forwood says if fruit can be shipped that way there can be a large business started & tell him to encourage the trade all he can

I had an awfull long letter from Eugene written in Greek have not found it all out yet — I think he will be ready to come down about the time you will,

Now about coming back must leave it all with you & mother I want you to have a good visit & come home soon as you get through You must buy whatever you need or what you think mother will be wanting after she gets back

Hoping this will find you well & happy I am your loving Son

Blanche wrote you a letter

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica Nov 24th 1883

L D Baker Esq
Pat Marant

My Dear Sir

I have written Mr Robson that I think the business is not enough to warrant his staying in the Island with us as he has a good trade & does not intend to settle here the time he spends here is only wasted So I suppose he will be firing off to go home about the first of the month coming I wish you to take special care of the books if you cannot take the whole here do the best you can & explain everything to me

You need not make any extra exertion for Bananas tell the people if they wish to sell their fruit they must bring it down mule as mules are

We will send order for freight

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

L D Baker Jr
Port Morant

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Nov 26 *1883*

My Dear Son

We have no telegram from the Alpine as yet. We don't expect the Children to leave here before the 30th. Please write every how you are getting along and if there is anything new. How Mother is I am afraid she will run down & be sick if you find there is anything you can get for her or do for her be sure & do it

Really a lot of letters to answer & plenty questions

Good bye
L D B

Father

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Nov 28 1885

L D Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Son We received your letter this morning & note what you say about business in general

Have ordered the iron wire six coils & will send the 2 doz rowlocks by first boat also oars.

Glad to hear House is getting on well have written Smith that we shall not require his services after Saturday & shall send a boat for him to take him away.

Mr House telegraphed for a cheque of 20 pounds & we have sent it through Baker & Co as we wish all his business to be found that away while at work up there

Have written Mr Baker & Mather has the copy of the letter you will settle up with him up to time of his leaving at the

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rate of fifty dollars per month.
I think as you say you will get along well for we shall not want much fruit from you before February only enough to make a show of business so as for Mr Adams I had rather you would not have anyone to take Eccles place until after I get back & I think you will be able to manage it for a short time after he leaves I understand he will leave the first of January.

I have altered my opinion in reference to Hesley you had better let him remain with his wife as they are now perhaps that will be an improvement if we separate them we shall make them miserable & never get any thing of what he now owes us, that's better wait.

We will send up Richard Hopkins to be with you next-

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Fruit Dealers,

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week. When Eugene comes
will send him to Market they
to pick some of those nice oranges
Do not think we had better
have any more new people
out from America

With kindest regards
Father

Please send Copies of my letters
written at Bowden while there
L D B

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

L D Baker & Port Antonio, Jamaica, Nov 30 1883

Pat Maynard

My Dear Son

Yours received glad to hear Mr House getting along so well on his Wharf I know you will do all you can to help him Richard will come up down as left Atwood & Mr Baker are gone

Thank Mr Burwell for giving me notice of the sale of Potosi please give me the average & the actual value if it by next American Steamer if you have time

We will be off in about an hour so good bye

Kindest regards from Father

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Geo. H. Richardson & Co.,
Importers of Bananas,
218 & 220 Washington Street,

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New York, Dec 20th 1885

at Port Morant,

The Boston people will run two steamers one of which they are building now but they will not begin work before the first of March.

I have been to Concord & have seen Joshua the thermometer was 5° below zero & he was happy as a cricket is reckoning on the time to come when he will have a vacation so he can come Jamaica wants to bring one of his schoolmates with him. Have not been down to the Cape shall go there last of next week

With kindest - Regards
Your Father
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Geo. N. Richardson & Co.,
Importers of Bananas,
218 & 220 Washington Street,

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L J Richardson Jr
Pat Marcus

New York, Dec 20th 1883

My Dear Son I received your letter all right - & was glad to hear you & mother & the Chicks were well

I notice what you say about Potosi & shall thank Mr Burwick for sending me the memoranda I think we have almost as much as we can take care of now but I have written Arthur forward respecting their sales & that would write him later about it,

Glad to hear Mr House is getting along well with the Wharf I have written him to stop at twelve feet water until I come,

There is nothing particular for me to write you about your business only as I have often said before be careful of your books & look keep the books yourself if you are not able to write get Cecil to write for you or some one else but be sure that you know all about your books yourself which I believe you do, & write to Elisha often as every month for a statement that you may keep things as that if I am taken away there will be no questions about it & you will feel greater confidence in yourself

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Importers of Bananas,
218 & 220 Washington Street,

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as you grow in experience it will come easy to have the care of the books & you will not feel right - unless you know all about them all the time Care Honesty & promptness is the three great business qualities that will fit you for a successfull business career.

You had better keep but a small gang of labourers on the property until I return as it will absorb the capital which we shall require for other business and while the shipments are so small there is not much money moving I want this season to run the property cheap as possible with the exception of the Coconuts & Bananas which we must plant & take care of.

I shall not be back before the 15 January as there are many important points which I wish to settle between Mess Richardson & & the Atlas & the Boston business which I cannot be contented to leave undone until the coming seasons work so great.

The Atlas have bought a new ship & I think will buy another both of Eleven knots speed for direct steamers from Kingston touching

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Geo. H. Richardson & Co.,
Importers of Bananas,
218 & 220 Washington Street,

L. T. Baker Jr
Port Morant

New York, Jan 8th 1884

My Dear Son Another steamer is about to sail & I cannot come as I have not yet been able to make the arrangements I want for the coming season. Mess Richardson & Co will change their business & it will be sometime before matters will be settled so that we can move with proper system of business for the coming year but do not think it will affect us to any great degree. Mr Richardson is sick & will be obliged to leave the business for a time.

You must keep right on everything will come out all right & I hope I shall be down soon as so soon as the thing is settled.

My health is force near better & I feel strong both body & mind to go on with the work. I expected to leave by this steamer until it was too late to write more so good by with love & kindest regards I am your affectionate Father

G. H. R.

Tell Mr Pinnock I received his letter & am glad to hear that matters were as satisfactory as they are. Tell him I will write to him soon.

Oct 1916

At the Ship

Have been Disappointed on the Cross
Shore for Eggs & none sent hire to you
until I come

Father

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STEVENS HOUSE,
ON THE EUROPEAN PLAN.

27 BROADWAY Cor. Morris Street.

WM. BRODHEAD PROPRIETOR.

L D Baker
Port Morant New York, Jan 21st 1884

My Dear Son

I suppose by this time you think I must be on my way to Jamaica & I can tele you I wish I was but it is not prudent for me to leave at this time as there are many things which might happen to spoil our years work if I were not here to watch & turn them in the right direction.

I learn from letters written by Eugene that he has offers from other parties that he will work for them if we do not give him more pay the letters were not written to me but to parties in this City I suppose Mrs Baker will work with him as I see letters written by him to Mrs Baker & Mrs Baker writes me

At the Ship -
Have been disappointed in the Cruise
there for Geo.
until I come
Father

6 Tell Mr Burwick that I appreciate his kindness in sending me the particulars about Potosi but I am afraid we have more than we can handle now I to put in £1000 cultivation this season on Bowden & Phillipsfield if I do it will tie us up to much to purchase Potosi

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STEVENS HOUSE,
ON THE EUROPEAN PLAN.
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WM. BRODHEAD PROPRIETOR.

New York, 188

he has better offers than I can make him the times are such that one hardly knows who to put confidence in so I am here watching, soon as it gets a little later all the plans for the season will be made then I shall come,

I was at Baltimore the other day Henry Brothers begged hard for me to accept the consignment of their steamers but it was no use I told them the letter had furnished us with all the tonnage we could handle. then he got very cross said he had the ships he had money in he would have the fruit if we did not accept of them they would put them into our ports I told him we needed a lots of money spent in Jamaica that would please us

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At the Ship

Have been disappointed in the Cruise

Shot for Geo

until I Com

Father

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more than anything he could do for us after which he cooled down I had to tell Hart - we could not load for him he must take his chances with the outsiders for we had all we could attend to with the Allan Steamers I expect there will be quite a time for fruit this spring so I dont give anyone encouragement outside of Mr Richardson I have seen him loose too much money this winter to shut him out next spring as I had rather have Richardson to deal with than all the rest of them.

I spent a whole day with Merritt Moodie has been charging him $20 ~~to~~ for nuts since September & he was well angry said he would give us all his Cocoanut business if we would ship only to him that he would not - buy Henry Brothers Cocoanuts and they sold most of them to him, I cabled you a while ago that the Matheson was coming

for 200 tons but Mr Merritt has changed his mind & he wrote you the Foley I want you to put her through the Hell disputes raile or thing the Foley never did have quick dispatch it is time the Vessel, one of the steamers will come every trip for nuts so you can continue purchasing them so long as they are good Dick has told me all about what you was doing so far as he could understand so I feel quite easy about you

The Alps brought up a splendid cargo but the market was so dull that there was but little or no money made on it Richard goes down on the Celia tomorrow & light Rich goes down on her to go to Port Limon George Freeman will go with him Richard will continue to run on the steamers unless you want him at Bowden

Richard told me Mr House did not dare to run the wharf off in the direction he was fearing he was running

Ex 1818

At the Ship

I have been disappointed in the Cruise over on Merchollick he never knows no fear of that though I had rather he would turn the head of the wharf off ~~say~~ twenty two (22) degrees (two points) of the compass that will meet the swell head & head boats will ride much easier along side of it however I shall soon be with you & then can tell better about it.

I have been trying Charter the Freeman to N Orleans but have not been successfull have not heard from Leavens & this week as I have been away all the week do not know what they are doing with her they are loosing a lot of money on her now they had better let us have her & run her to Espinwall with laborers I am afraid she will be more trouble to them than she is profit I intended to send out two sloops on the Nelson deck but they have not got here from Boston ~~N York~~ yet will come down on the next steamer

Hoping this may find you well everything going on well I am Yours affectionally Father

I have for Geo. Intire I can Father

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Per

A.S. LAZARUS & Co
GREAT BRITAIN,
AUSTRALIA,
NEW ZEALAND,
WEST INDIES,
SOUTH AFRICA.
AND AT
Port Royal St Kingston Ja

P.O. BOX 2924.

New York Feb 2d 1884

L. A. Baker Esq
Port Morant
Jamaica

My Dear Son I send this by the Foley which I hardly think will reach you before as they say she is to come here before she sails. I have written you before that she will come for nuts & we hope you give her prior dispatch. The Captain will write you on his arrival when he thinks he will be with you.

I shall wait & come out on the Alene as she will have four boats that belong to us to come on. Our business arrangements are all right - for the next season & events looks prosperous. We had cable from London that Potosi had been withdrawn from the sale. Now we will make arrangements with the parties to allow us to pasture & raise our beeves & to purchase Bananas there.

Am sorry to say we go this Evening to see Elisha's Dog as he takes his

There is nothing important going on at present. Love to all

Your Father

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 28 1884

Lorenzo W. Baker Esq
Bowden

Dear Son.

I shud you the leaves Robert Elworthy he will work in connection with Mr Short in the Banana Cultivation & then Guest Brown & Estates work.

I think you better give Mr Short the management of Bowden as well as Phillipsfield as this young man wants to know the business he can work with him well. I will write you more about it

Hundred regards
Father

Lorenzo Baker

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July 29th 1854

L. D. Beckwith Jr
Pat Morant

My Dear Son

Brother Melville is to have a picnic & wants to borrow our flags but we have none that are decent to look at & I have told him you would lend him yours if he would return them immediately so please give the bearer all the flags you have

With kindest regards
from Father

Mother
Pla

SEAVERNS & CO.,

WHOLESALE DEALERS IN

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NOS. 93 & 95 SOUTH MARKET STREET.

Fruits and Produce Sold on Commission.

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L. Morison.

Lorenzo D Baker Jr
Pat Mwonio

Boston, Sept 17th 1884

My Dear Son The Baker sailed yesterday while I was in New York so I could not write to her as she was sent away very unexpectedly they thought at first to put her on the dock so she would not have sailed before Friday but it was found they could not get on the dock as they were all engaged so they sent her away immediately

We had a splendid passage until we came to the Cape then we met fog thick as it could be one old Down Easter ran into us off Wellfleet or rather fellow with water dashed over we did not get in until the evening of the Eighth day Kings was taken out Friday morning to come out in fair order but market was low it was with great difficulty that I could induce them to send her again but by agreeing to give them fruit at 35 cts per bunch they concluded to send her there is no money in it but it is better than nothing

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Boston, Sept 17" 1884

Cocoanuts are very dull in the market but there is a prospect of better things soon so you may continue to purchase or take from those that you have made arrangements with such that can be bought for 65 per 100 at the wharf

I have shipped 2000 Cocoanut Boys by the "Antillas" I have written Mr Davis to send Cutler immediately to meet her & save saw one half of them & you can ship on the first Spanish "Steamer" all you have ready.

The Prospects are that Geo H Richardson will go out of the trade, that is, will sell out to some other parties before the end of the year I don't know at present what I must stop here for a while until I find out.

Worker & Merritt have made a bad failure & the only way we shall get any thing out of them is by doing their work after they start again which I think will be

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Boston, Sept 17 1884

about the first of next month however I can tell but little about it I must wait the movements of things until they are settled to something reliable;

I am starting to night for Charleston South Carolina to see what is going on out there & what they are going to do this winter.

I cannot tell when I shall come home so you must watch & they carefully keep expenses low as possible

With kindest regards & love I am your affectionate father

L W Bates

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—THE UNITED STATES—

FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC FRUIT CO.

PHILA. OFFICES: { 50, 52 AND 54 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.
49, 51 AND 53 N. WATER STREET.

NEW YORK OFFICES, 228 AND 230 GREENWICH STREET.

L S Beker Esq Philadelphia, Oct-25th 1884

Port Morant

My Dear Son We got through arranging for the new Company last evening at Eight o'clock & we have now one of the heaviest fruit firms in America it really looks as though we should have no more worry about business for sometime to come The Company has a Capital of one Million dollars has four banks connected with it - the Atlas S.S. Co all of which I will tell you when we meet - It will not be in full working order until about ten days Shall then have a Credit of fifteen with the Colonial Bank

THE UNITED STATES — BIPA 19.2

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Philadelphia, 188

I expect you have had a pretty hard time for many days time for any business since I have been gone but we will soon put things straight now.

Give the Foley what nuts you may have up to fifty thousand let her go to Port Antonio for her Bananas if the "Andes" comes to Port Morant - you had better keep all of your Bananas for her as the "Foley" will probably get what she wants at Port Antonio.

Telegraph Davis immediately on arrival of the Foley.

I want Barrel Apples basket-Grapes & some pears also 50 baskets for handling nuts

—THE UNITED STATES—

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Philadelphia Oct 25 1884

You may purchase all the nuts you can at a reasonable price of course we do not mean for you to go into wild purchases for the business will not warrant it but you must pay the price in the port whatever that may be

Elisha left for Dallas Steamer yesterday I did not see him as there was some things about the contracts that I did not like & they would not come to my terms until they found I would not sign a date but they bought the better of it & came down it is all right & we have made a valuable connection

Elisha will tell you the dollars

Further

Price

The Dallas is heavy

Lt Bethune
Pat Morant

HOTEL LAFAYETTE

L. H. MALORY. Philadelphia, Oct 28 1884

My Dear Son

I came over here to day to meet with Lt William Mr Richardson about arranging freight for the fers to come on the Cellas steamers while waiting will drop you a few lines, we shall send off the Acadia to Jan tomorrow for Nuts & probably shell Bowers you may have for her as we intend to have her leave Pat-Antonio at Midnight Saturday night - she will not make a long stay with Jan, we are now running them on tenerife

& Allos they must leave on time if not the whole thing will be confused. She will require about say 30 cocoanuts they must be put onboard between San & Pal Antonio San Pedro that you have old her leave friday night in time to ~~take~~ be at Pal Antonio by seven o'clock Saturday morning.

In selecting fruit dont put in anything but full fruit as the weather is now cold & there is nothing meaner than thin bananas in winter. You may purchase all the nuts you can get at a fair price. I expect there are some of the nuts which you have been sending to us that are not paid for & that you must need some money by this time so

HOTEL LAFAYETTE

L. U. MALTBY

Philadelphia, ... 188

we shall get our money arrangements
all arranged this week then
there will be no more trouble

Everything seems to be progressing
finely in the New Company &
I think they will give us plenty
of work when fairly under way.
We shall have a guaranteed sale
our fruit will be taken every
month in the year which
will give our tenants a better
guarantee of support from
us & it will bring up the
value of our lands & give
us a greater security against
troubles in case of my death
which like others is liable
at any time, the contract is
for five years we also get
our losses back from the
failure of Warner & Merritt
so I feel much better than I
did when I left, I have ordered
Higgins & Gifford to build you

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four Hoops[4] for Morant's
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Galleys Bay,

I shall not come down before I am sure all the money matters are made right & everything in working order.

I would like you to send fifty or one hundred boxes of oranges, but — do not send them unless they can be procured for say five shilling per box including everything or say 10/0 per barrel what you send let them be proper & well cared for, let as much of any kind of fruit you ship be procured from the large growers as you will then be able to get the fruit with less handling & it will look clean & nice, your fruit looked the best on the Baker of any that I ever shipped Mr Devereux said he should throw the old man aside

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stake the son to do his business so you see they take notice when a thing is done good. Tell Hothouse he must go for his supplyers & if they dont give him clean fruit he must reject the fruit it is of no use he gave them too much their own way last season, I will finish this tomorrow when the Acadia is ready to leave

Hoping this may find you well
with my desires to see
you I am your affectionate
Father Lorbaker

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L. D. Baker Esq. Philadelphia, Oct 29 1884
Port Morant
Jamaica

My Dear Sir Reader is ready for sea & she ought to reach you Thursday morning Mr Richardson has thought best to have you put on 50 bbls nuts if you have them & what good Bananas you may have or can get ready for her as I have said before be sure they are good. I have written a letter to Mr Harrison thanking him for assistance you by giving you his nuts while I was away & telling him arrangements would soon be made for payment of what is due & that I should come down in about 20 days,

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Wellfleet Nov 6th 84

L. S. Baker Jr.
Pt Morano,

My Dear Son, Your welcome letter came to hand all right and was a great relief to me to know that everything was going along alright — to that the Good Master had shielded us from the violence of the storm it truly seems an act of favor from him to us & I am strengthening my belief that he has a work for us to do in Jamaica & that his favor is toward us which must be to us a blessed thought,

There has nothing new transpired since writing you by the "Acadia" I came

down here on Tuesday night
& shall remain for a week
unless sooner called to
New York & I shall come
and on the steamer the 21st
or on the Foley

I was onboard the Foley
"Baker" in Boston she was from
Florida with 75 Bales Cotton
75 Boxes Orange & very
poor freight - can ofcourse
they will loose a good deal
of money that - they had a
better Report by in the Panama
Trade at Jamaica but they
know the best or they will
know best when spring comes,

In respect to Mr James
you need not hesitate to
encourage him all you
can in planting for I
have made arrangements

as I wrote you before to
~~take~~ buying fruit all the season
round we can now make
contracts that is at a reasonable
figure if there are any other
large planters that like to go
in for it you can tell them
to go ahead with all safety.

I notice what you say about
Torres purchasing Bananas
for Henry Brothers we need
not be afraid of him those
parties have been compelled
to call their creditors together
and ask for an extention of
time they cannot go in as
strong as they did last season
let them pay as high as they like
get as poor fruit as they like
the sooner they kill themselves
the better everyone knows
that no one can continue
at the prices of the stock they get

Charley better get the pay for his fathers boats soon as possible from Noyes though perhaps Noyes is all right - but the older things grow the harder it is for them to collect the money.

I think that Capt - Miller of Schooner Russell is the man you wrote about you acted perfectly right - in thinking him up as we know that the best way to teach people that we mean business is to do business when one is not ready to find another, though should like very much for you to have kept the knits for the Acadia & Foley hope you have been able to get some for them

that they will get away on time

The Major & Rum business I think as you say will soon begin to be of considerable importance to us, the Model of which you speak from Mr Burrel is I suppose one of a coaster to do our Stance work allowing the adder should be taken away,

I am sending out a young man of the name of Frank B Hardy to assist Mr Short & yourself he comes well recommended with a desire to be generally usefull & has been a hard working boy you can let him remain at Bowden until I return & I think you will need him soon as the busy season comes as I think you will have too much to do yourself as they way you have been

places you must have the
care, but I want others to do
the work. It is only by degrees
that you can learn to order &
shift your workmen as you
like & make them do the work
& get out of them all you can,
So when this young man
comes make yourself feel
that he is a boy of seven
years old & order him just
as you would a seven year old
boy if you think his strength
needs him let him have
him if needed at morning
& let him be used there
but may impress on you
you will need him at
Boulder

Try & keep ourroad
in good order that Hood
wishing to ship Cane & Sugar
can do so with but little trouble

I sent the oranges right
away to Joshua soon as they
arrived & I think he got them
all right. A few of those nice
oranges from the Blue Mountain
Valley I think would take the
market but not a large quantity
to introduce them. We should
might pack a few in the country
in boxes or barrels but they must
not be brought a great distance
with packing first. We must
go up near where they grow &
do all even of the home to be
unpacked after shrinking
try to do a little nothing with
them & that little must be
nicely done.

I am going over to the Palace
to see Uncle Napoleon the
afternoon & must close in haste

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L D Baker jr
Port Morant
Jamaica.

New York, Nov 20th 1884

My Dear Son Your two welcome letters 3d & 13th come all right - I hasten to answer & would say in reference to Mr Burwick as you do that it seems truly that he is a firm friend & I often think what a benefit he has been to me in assisting you as he does & would like to do something in return if we knew what - that something was remember me kindly to him as for Mr Harrison it is truly wonderfull for I have never yet seen his face his case shall be immediatly attended to Elisha has cabled for £300 I suppose it must be for his account or a part of it, am writing him to give it his attention if he has not the money to draw for it immediatly, As for wire fencing when I come will bring some with me & many other things I must keep back until ready to leave

I am glad Mr Price is coming in Mr Cummings place for he is a good fellow & with a few years of experience will be of great value

All Mr Cummings we are sorry to loose

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him from Port Morant but we feel he can do much for us where he is & we congratulate him on raise of position,

I am glad to hear Mr James is planting & Mr Davis beginning, & shall do all I can to bring up the Banana trade to a substantial business for Port Morant & you can tell them so, As for the nuts at Holland Bay we are not particular about them though we have arranged business so we can make a ~~profit~~ Wharfage & commission on them which is better than nothing, I think from the tenants & fruit planted which must come in & the Wharfage on sugar that the prospect looks pretty good for you for the year to come & with God's blessing I think I shall be able to spend my winter next season at home with you,

Banana business is flat here the whole country is full of fruit & there is no way but we can see Bananas go where we will there is Bananas Bananas Bananas the Elene Foley came Saturday night discharged Monday 7500 to Alene 1500 Tuesday, Albano 5300

L D B Jr

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228 & 230 GREENWICH STREET.

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New York, Nov 20th 1884

today all to Richardson Frank & Wessels also had each a steamer, to day Bananas are the cheapest thing in the market - we were obliged to cable stop the Acadia loading as it was just as cheap to keep her in Port Antonio as it was in Philadelphia & when there comes a slack time she is all really on the spot - to take her cargo & leave,

I do not like to leave here until all questions about business are settled as I can do that now much better than I can when I am in Jamaica & this end must be carefully looked after first - while the trade is so dull it takes all the inducement possible to keep them from stopping & the presence of some repts with them does a world of good & prevails when nothing else will. So My dear good Son do the very best - you know how & ask God to help - & every thing will be right -

write often good long letters like we do about every thing & every body it will do me a lots of good

with love & kindest regards
Your affectionate father L D Baker

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Lewis D Baker New York, Dec 5th 1884

Pat Morant Jamaica,

My Dear Son I am in receipt of yours of 25th of Nov I am glad to hear you are well that business is moving along slowly it is very slow tedious here & I am about tired waiting for the movements of others I see no chance for me to leave here before the first of January, The market here is very dull & the new Company are having rather a dull time for it is all pay out for them they are very carefull how they spend their money but it is as much as I can do to keep them moving it is dull work when

know they must loose more or less on every steamer I am in hopes they will give us chance to ship 1000 bunches a day this month out, in January do not expect to do much,

Nuts are selling at a fair price but must soon fall I am afraid Capt Miller will have hard work to get his money back by the time he gets here,

I have made arrangements with Alexander Brothers & Co 50 Chatham Street - Boston for you to supply them with 10.000 nuts every steamer they must be put into Bags & sent through on a through B/L to Boston via Pat Antonio & New York if the "Arden" should be making a Connection with the steamer at Kingston or you would be likely to miss

Yes my children I wrote every Philadelphia Merchant to come to Port Neches & we must make some arrangements with the Pilots & if they keep up prices as high we cannot have them come that way so you must talk with the Pilots & prepare their minds for it.

Mr Crowell & myself have shipped some Mackerel & Herring for Port Antonio should you require any you can take them please have the whole interest & duties paid so it will be quick dispatch when the arrives at P/A.

Also enclose invoice of a little lot of Groceries.

Mr Crowell has sent boy of Ruffer Springs of which I have no invoice

With Love & kindest Regards
from Father

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"Roma"

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New York, Dec 5 1884

the Steamer at Port Antonio send them to Kingston they want them on each Steamer, do not want them to get delaied so two lots will come on any one Steamer make the freight $7,50 per tce or 75 cts per bag of 100 nuts (1st class) with the second class nuts you can fill the bags full & keep the same, make the Bills of Lading to order of Pim Forwood & Co & then there will be no delay when they arrive here, also send them ~~[illegible]~~ invoice (that is Alexander Brothers) a duplicate B/L & the regular invoice & ~~[illegible]~~ current as they are shipped by the Consul

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you had better be particular & make the invoices agree
You will get Ross from Port-Antonio. Be very carefull that the bags are well sewed & stopped so there will be no breaking out on the passage so no Bag will give out unless it is cut, mark them A.B & number them from one upwards & the number of nuts in each Bag must be put on

You must invoice them at Cost - add 5/0 Wharfage & five pr cent Commission Cost will of course include the following all extra expences attending the handling Cleaning & "&" of nuts are bought in the half husk in out ports it would be much better

Cost of nuts	70/0	upon which shall be added 5 - 0/0 Commis (or 4/0 for the profit) & the Cost of Bags
freight & boat	5/0	
Husking	3/0	
Labor bagging & shipping	5/0	
loss from breakages	3/6	
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If you buy the nuts import at a less figure you can give them the benefit of it on the other move don't do any work for nothing charge all the nuts cost This order is likely to last the whole year I think you can depend on them you can draw on them at sight for the amount of the invoice in favor of Penn Forwood & Co Capt Forwood will I think cash the draft - I will write him today make the invoice a draft in American money gold basis at $4.80 to the pound

You had better not make any engagements for nuts &

people want to sell you the nuts dont pay over 60/0 prices for selected Stock.

With Mr Harrison you can continue at present but soon as we pay him up we must drop him the nuts will be too expensive for the Company season at present we are furnishing the Company some for Manufactry you will of course charge them sufficient to make a commission.

I am sorry to hear Mr Horse is sick but cannot believe any one has poisoned him.

You must instruct him to keep his expences down all he can until February after that we shall be able to go ahead easy again. In buying Bananas this winter buy only full fruit no thin fruit at all not one for they are of no value whatever in a winter market but spring

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summer then fruit will pass very well and the fruit be full of bruises as possible nothing like full clean fruit for winter market — if the fruit is not so long it will pay every time while thin fruit looses money all the time, never mind what the people say throw it back on their hands, let them suffer for it if they will not mind you,

I think the Foley will be down about next — Wednesday the 10th that is I hope to get her up at that time I give her the cleanest fruit that can be have sent the [illegible] of the fruit off [illegible]

E.E.S.

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before it is stowed & so it will stow
right off on the dump - it comes
out looking much better & you
can put in a few nice oranges
if they don't cost more than 10/ per Bl
$3.13 & I suppose we shall want
about - 60,000 nuts but do not
care much about it Ann Val -
Here she will leave that day
yet, but I shall try hard to have
the Acadia leave Port Antonio
the same day the Foley leaves here
& both leave on the 10th While I am
here I can influence them a good
deal We hear today that Henry Bros
have ~~had~~ discharged their steamers
& will do no more importing this
winter, Hart & Co lost their
last cargo it was in very bad
order there was sale by auction
I don't think there was ever more
a time known in the trade as
has been this season & sometimes
I don't know who is going to live

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New York, Feb 5 1884

through it.

The "Baker" is rawled up having a new set of Boilers will not be ready for work until 15th Feb the patent boilers the bad a failure I told them to take them out immediately before they made any losses they took my advice

I am more than grateful that you are all well & hope it will not be long before I shall be with you

With love & kisses to you

Your ever loving Jack affectionately

Cable Address, "ATLAS," NEW YORK and LIVERPOOL

Leech, Harrison & Forwood, Managers, Liverpool.

Pim, Forwood & Co., General Agents, New York.

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Atlas Steamship Company
New York Dec 8th 1884

L S Baker Esq
Pat Merant

My Dear Son,

I have just seen Mr Forwood & asked him to allow you to draw at sight on Alexander Brothers & Co of Boston for the amount of invoice as I have before written & he says it is all right & he will write Capt Forwood about it draw to the full amount & no more

With kindest regards
Your father
L S Baker

L D Baker Jr
Port Morant

Camden Jan 5th 1873 —

My Dear Son I am in receipt of your welcome letters often & hear from you so often & to hear you are all well & getting along so well & am only too sorry that I cannot be with you, The purchase of the Lease of the little Bonanza field & your share of it was quite right, though we are very short of money yet we cannot let such chances go, The year to come I dont want you to spend any what money you need to keep the place in order we will not make any more improvements until we see a little of what we are, Your Coloanna have gained a good name in this market & are really called for as a choice nut you must keep the standard up & another year you will make money on them, I dont want you to buy many at present for I want the price to come down the contract nuts of course you must take

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I will try to make a market for them as best I can before I come down

Think you did well to sell to Mr James for the London steamer you got more than you could get here I shall expect 100 tons of the steamer this week for Alexander Brothers & Co I intend for you to have a steamer every week this spring either the Philadelphia or the Boston steamer will call this will give you a good market for your Bonanza

I notice what you say about Mr House & think Dick better be there with him!

The times here are very dull & everything is at a stand still the fruit trade is demoralised fruit is not bring enough to pay cost of freight though the Acadia has had a good market — all through Christmas week & sold out well but there has been too much fruit in N York

But I think the prospect for the spring is better than I ever saw it

before

I think you did just right in turning away Sharp it he did not do right- hope you will get along well without him.

Mr Harrison letter was really a nice letter we will do all we can for the old gentleman sorry we could not have been more prompt in our payments but - if he knew how much we lost - he would not blame us,

I do not know when I shall come out a present the Fruit Co is in a state of Liquidation & must wait a while they began wrong at first - I think we will have to form a new before they can go on right -

I am not depending on them shall not join any company this Spring but those that send their money will get the fruit. The Baker & Freeman will both come & see you in February probably the Freeman the 5th Feb & the Baker the 25 Baker is getting Boilers & will not be ready before that time, The Foley Started off last Friday I did not feel right about her going for they had not paid me for the last corp so I did not send anything by her or any letter only a short one to Elisha not to put fruit on her until I cabled them I am waiting here now to get a settlement for the Acadia they intend sending the Acadia off next saturday & she may come to you if so I shall send the things you & mother have ordered, will have the carts & wagons made for my James

The matter on Wharf with Lady Dr you had better not accept the proposal only on Acct sales I come don't know why they should be used better than others, I am truly glad to hear that dear Mother is getting better I intend that the mother shall spend winter in charge of his & circumstances the coming season. Write me often

Love to all & kindest regards to my dear good boy I will say good [illegible] Father

Philadelphia, Jan 8 1885

L. S. Beck
Pay Morand
In Florida

Since last writing the weather has been splendid just like spring every body seems to feel better there is really a cheerfull outlook for the spring work. I have had letters from Hay Brothers asking us to take one of their Steamers I told them if they would give us both we would talk with them but we have no word from them yet. The company is still having a hard time I doubt if ever does meet unless it is reconstructed get some poor stock in it Have also had word from two other

before
I think you did just right in burning my Shark it he did not do right but you will get along well without him.
Mr Harrison letter was really a nice letter we will do all we can for him

Broilers would sell to very high price this time.
The Foley Stories are hot
Freddy I do not feel sorry about them
you I for they had not paid me for the last lot to I do not send any thing
I hear or any letter and a short one
to Elisha not to find fruit on hand

houses about fruit
Cocoanuts are selling low Capt Millers Corps which he left at Chincotagne arrived here to day or a part of it 80,000 they will be very dear nuts by the time they are landed
Hall a Cable from Elisha saying Fruit was splendid & the atlas offered 35 cts for a lot on their own account I look them up but it is poor business but better than none, though I cannot see that you can send any down at that price however we will give you plenty of work when spring comes
With Kind regards
Father

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From: G H Baker, Ft Antonio

To: G S Baker Esq, Ft Morant

Will be up Thursday or Friday 20th Leaper Sheep Seamage fine Keep Kid Sick

before

I think you a
away sharp it
you will get

Mr Harrison
letter we re

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Mess Baker & Co
Pat Morant &c

Philadelphia, Jan 15th 1885

Dear Sirs The Steamer Acadia will leave this port to morrow afternoon as we have before cabled you it is undecided as to the amount of nuts she will require we cannot give written instructions but must wait & instruct you by cable & we do not wish you to take any steps towards loading her until you get definite by cable, The cable will be sent to L. S. Baker & Co Pat Antonio & they will telegraph you

The Market for Nuts still continues dull with little hope of anything better for some time to come,

The Bonora Market though low is keeping up a steady demand for the past two weeks

You will please enter the Capsicum Cargo & pay the duties so he will not be bothered in Pat Antonio

Yours faithfully
L. S. Baker

CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,

COMMISSION MERCHANTS

IN

CODFISH, MACKEREL, SALMON, FISH OIL, COAL, &c.

No. 124 NORTH WHARVES.

~~Thos~~

Philadelphia, Jan 15 1885

L D Bobb Jr
Port Morant

My Dear Son I am glad to say that the way is getting a little clearer than it was ~~the case~~ of the Glassalls nuts was given in our favour & we have saved about $2000 which I think was cool & the Fruit Company are looking in a more healthy condition though not so strong as I could wish You will probably get a cable before this reaches you telling you what to do with "the Alcania" I hardly think she will take any nuts from you as there is a plenty of nuts at Port Antonio & I want to get them cleaned up before collecting any more or perhaps you will be required to put on 20 ~~tons~~ at Port Antonio & 40 ~~tons~~ as they seem to want the Port Morant nuts & for her to come to you & then take all Jamaica nuts (as they call them) will be too bad perhaps she will stop & take what fruit you have for her then go to Port Antonio for the ballance which I

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CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,

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IN

CODFISH, MACKEREL, SALMON, FISH OIL, COAL, &c.

No. 124 NORTH WHARVES.

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Philadelphia, Jan 15 1885

I think would be a good idea though perhaps Elisha may want her to go to Port Maria so you will be guided by him

I have sent a number of little things to a full trunk there is about $75. worth in the trunk so you will have to pay duties accordingly or get them to value it as there is no invoice perhaps they would value it less, Mr Crowell has sent some Mackerel & Herrings you can pay the duties on them & take what you require or all you can sell for Cash it will help out Mr Crowell in his sales of the refuse stock which he gets during the year & he has been very kind should never forget the many favors the Gloucester nuts if it had not been for him so we must do all we can for him,

Have sent 50 Bags of Corn of which 25 is for you, I would not plant Corn if I was you think we can [illegible] any it

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Philadelphia, Jan 15 1885

it Cheaper than can raise it,

You must be carefull on the Choice of fruit buy prudently we must invoice this lot at 40 cts so if you put the fruit onboard at Port-Morant you will save the Drayage down,

I have just had telegram from Pim Forwood & Co saying they wanted to take down bunches from Port Antonio for the Alva 25th if we would put them onboard at 35 cts but I have answered them the price is too low probably they will give us the 40 cts fruit will not go so high this season as usual our people cannot expect it & the market here will not bear it though I think we shall have a strong healthy trade all through the year,

Cocoanuts It is true we have lost a lot of money by handling this part of the business this season & it will take some time before we can get it back but with care it is bound to pay us you can take care of the Contracts let them send them

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CODFISH, MACKEREL, SALMON, FISH OIL, COAL, &c.

No. 124 NORTH WHARVES.

Philadelphia, Jan 15 1885

in fact them in nice order & will sell them to arrive in 10 ~~tons~~ lots I think I can arrange though Mr Crowell to dispose of 10,000 each "Atlas" steamers that with Boston will take what the steamers dont want & what - you buy off the small growers you must buy down close as possible there is not much money in it but we must work it down until there is money in it, I send you fine hundred ~~x~~ second hand cocoanut bags a dozen needles & 30 lbs of twine you must - get - the bag valued low as they have been to Jamaica once & paid duties however Mr Burwick & Mr Price will do what is right - about it -,

Mr Crowell has just on some boxes of smoked Herrings says you must sell part of them & send part down to P/A had been up here & says he will not sell nuts for you unless you sell fish for him House may be able to sell

Acct
L D B

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No. 124 NORTH WHARVES.

Philadelphia, Jan 15th 1885

a few for you but he must look out & get the money we must have no bad debts out this season,

The nuts which Capt Miller had onboard were sold for $12 per ton after being freighted up here from Chincoteague so all round he made a bad job of it,

I have not been on to Boston since last writing to you therefore can tell but little what is going on there. The Fritt Freeman & Baker are both laying up at present,

Make Capt Grahams stay as pleasant as possible he has been very kind & civil of a gentleman this time here I wish I could come out with him

With kindest regards
I am yours affectionately
L D Baker

Heroes and Martyrs
the Acacia of Los Santos
el Pat Antonio

THE UNITED STATES FOREIGN & DOMESTIC FRUIT CO.
Wilson
228 & 230 GREENWICH STREET.

L D Baker Jr
Pt Morant
Jamaica

New York, Jan 26th 1885

My Dear Son, I received your lovely long letter today & I could not but feel grateful that I had met a good Son in this trying time. It was so glad to hear you were all well & that dear Mother was so much better. I can hardly keep from leaving on this steamer but there is a few more knots & snarls to be set right first — by the time the Belvo leaves on the 10 Feb shall be ready & without doubt — leave with her.

Nuts to Alexander were sent all right but have not seen them yet. I notice what you say about Mr Harrison & his offer would be fair if it was most any other time but this season there nothing that is of any value & will not be until next August & September since Mr Harrison has so often so encouraged I will try to charter the Carrie D Allen home from Barbados via Jamaica

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THE UNITED STATES FOREIGN & DOMESTIC FRUIT CO.
Ulsa
228 & 230 GREENWICH STREET.

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New York, Jan 26th 1885

that will make a cheap rate of freight
so we can have time to dispose of them from the vessel
when they arrive and have them dumped
out on the wharf without any shelter
from the cold, As Mr Harrison has been
so kind to you I must make an extra effort
for him but cannot do so above many
they should not cost more than $17,00 on the
the ~~Wharf~~ F.O.B

Freight to N York	5,00
Cartage to store	,90 cts
Storage	,50
Insurance	,10
Commissions on Sales average	1,50
5% fall short - from rots, cracks, steals,	,85
	25,85

The average price in New York of nuts is $27.00 so
you see is gives but little for
the risk & the labor at that price &
that price you could not give Mr Harrison
more than 60/0 for the in half bush. soon
as the market advances which is not
likely to be, before sept - you can give him
more so long as you can make a wharfage at is alright

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THE UNITED STATES FOREIGN & DOMESTIC FRUIT CO.
Wilson
228 & 230 GREENWICH STREET.

New York, Jan 26 1885

I am glad to hear that the sugar interests are turning towards you & Rice House will get his wharf in order so he can receive some from his district he must get something to work that wharf for before the worms take it,

I will try to get Mr James Carts & wagons so they can come out on the Cars when I come

I think Mr Noyes will be careful to keep within bounds on the price of fruit this season Henry Brothers writes "no high prices this season"

The Acadia was seized & hooked up in New Castle Del & will be sold at Sheriff sale, I had a lot of things onboard of her for Pat Moran Lilles things for the Children Groceries & 50 bags Corn & some Coffees & "&", Now I must get them out & bring them with me I am Sincerely

L D B Jr
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THE UNITED STATES FOREIGN & DOMESTIC FRUIT CO.
Wm
228 & 230 GREENWICH STREET.

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New York, Jan 26 1884

bundle of dry goods with Cape Edward who comes out on the Eden

I have been down to Cape Cod & tried to get the new Cutters out of the ice & have them towed to Boston so they could come out on the steamer but it was no use,

Charleys Father was sick with a cold so was Mr Gifford but were bright & cheerfull will soon be all right

I intended two of the new Cutters for your work at Mount Bay,

The Freeman is Chartered to Halifax as a packet between there & Boston until the 1st of March & Baker will leave the 2d March we shall have three Cutter steamers in Feb & will probably ship say 30000 bunches which will be as much good fruit as we shall get

Hoping this may find you well & with love & kindest regards I am my dear son your affectionate Father L D Baker

STEVENS HOUSE,
ON THE EUROPEAN PLAN.
27 BROADWAY, Cor. Morris Street.
WM. BRODHEAD PROPRIETOR.

Loren B. Baker of New York, Feb 6th 1885

Pat Moran My dear Son I have just received your welcome letter & notice what you say about Mr Harrison sent a letter concerned about your being able to raise 200 pounds & wish very much that I was there but as we have always been provided for we shall without doubt be in the future but I dislike to have to give the impression of being officious hand in our payments,

I shall be coming by the Colors on the 15th shall be glad when the time comes, You can make an ~~off~~ shipment of 200 bags of nuts to Colver & Crowell & Co Philadelphia Bill Lading & invoice to Pier Forwood & Co. first

as you did for Alexander Brothers, I shall probably be at Island before they leave if not—you can draw for one half the invoice on Crowell & Ask Capt—Forwood to cash it I think he will without doubt make the freight-companies rates & I will arrange with the Company before I leave, I think Mr Crowell will be able to help you a great deal in disposing of the nuts you will get this year.

The Acadia still lays at Wilmington with all our things onboard if she does not leave before I do—I shall order the things to be sent out on the "Atlas" Steamer,

Should she come thee will probably want a few nuts out of the box the money with her you can give them to her but I shall probably Cable you instructions The "Rotter" will be with you the 9th March

New York, ... 188

At Freemans the Ne^a Thing will cost about 25th nuts ~~and~~ so if you buy carefully of the small growers you will probably have a chance to make something you must be very carefull about the the shortage at the Wharf or not let that eat up all your profit take the account of Coconuts often, ~~and~~ we shall not do any more work for the Philadelphia steamers as there seems to be no head or tail to their work & the atlas has given us all we can do with the Boston steamers so there will be no need of it all of which I will tell you when

7.4 Thursday evening

Tell Mother I received her letter with Mattie's & Renbys home not recall then yet – only so far as I said she was feeling much better

With love & kisses before

from Arthur

Lucy

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

L D Baker Jr
Port Morant

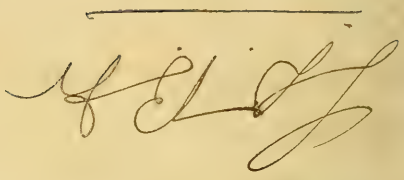
Port Antonio, Jamaica, March 1884

My Dear Son

The "Baker" came in very unexpectedly Wednesday evening & the Engineer said he wanted three days time if he could have it so I told Capt Wiley that he had lay until Monday morning at one o'clock so we could be ready to go into port at daylight. She has brought 10 passengers who come to have a good time & they are cruising in all directions.

I am sorry I could not come up to Kingston with Mother & Mattie but it is quite inconvenient for me to leave without great risk so I shall stick right here until I see my way clear to go

With kindest regards
Father



L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June ~~Nov~~ 26 1885

L D Baker Esq
Port Morant

Dear Son

We arrived all right - Tuesday evening at about four down Mother stood the ride well as well as myself, But - had a bad night of it - as there was quite a number came to see me in the evening & then had strange hard bed, as have had but little to do every thing seems to be going on all right - I soon caught my appetite - I am good for quite an amount of work now so long as it is in the house, Had letter from Joshua this morning saying he thought he should be out on the 8th Baker we look for her tuesday morning

Mother will come up Thursday

tomorrow by buggy as Sullivan
with Buggy is here it may be
rough in the morning for the
Order dif so she would
be too sick

With Kindest regards
Father

Foley

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 6th *1885.*

Lorin D Baker
Wellfleet Mass

My Dear Son,

I wrote Mother by the Baker Freeman & wrote about all the news but will now drop you a few lines that you may know that everything is going on well up to "Bowden" the volcanic furnace 16 or 17 bunches Bananas for the Sale the people would not want to do any better but he shipped about 40 the mile to get paid for her to go there I could not go there was too much to do here Mr Davis was taken sick with the fever & is quite sick for the past two days & it seems that he is in danger of having quite a serious time this of course cuts us short of help in the office & we find quite hard work to pull through the days work.

Charley writes that he has got along very well with Mr House and he wont let him ride Frank.

The Freeman & Foley have got two of the best Cargoes of fruit we ever shipped

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Lon n S.S. "Dy Foli" No 2

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Midnight-

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 6 1885

Yours dated 30 June came to hand
It is no use
to try & ship fruit at this season
of the year,
We launched the Creole on Freedom
day & called her the "Freedom" we
launched her down into the mud
& waited for the tide to rise but
this morning Capt Dickson took hawser
to her & pulled her afloat - she is
better looking boat than I thought
she would be.
Today her Wilnot - had the Antilles in
to take 140 hhds of sugar
I saw reported in the paper that
Pa Moodie had bought Nutts River Estate
for 650 pounds it was sold at auction
for the Building Society - probably he
has bought it for someone else,
I hope you will have a nice
time at home & get recruited up
for a good pull when you come

With kindest regards
from Father

P.S. It is about two o'clock Friday
morning another one of
those dele nights
Jobs +

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S.S. Athos

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 20 1885

L D Baker Esq
Wellington
Mass

My Dear Son The "Athos" is about to leave & I will drop you a few lines. I was up to Rowden meeting this week or at Rowden & both on the Nelson case & I am sorry to say the jury let him off after all the trouble. The judge condemned him in his charge to the jury he said everything he could to condemn him but did not say out right that they must; every man that had any mind of his own was challenged & put out so there was only 4 marks of Moroni Roy & six boys or fools from the same district — it was the most ridiculous as dispensation of justice I ever saw. However we have not fot through with him yet the judge will grant us a trial on another ticket. It will be held in Kingston the 15 of December.

We have had a busy week & all hands have been to Canal — both from your place & ours, we had ten known bad cases of forgery this week but do not think the well at-

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 20th 1885

The first one from Port Antonio we joined, also the second, the woman from Port Morant for the 24 Cocoanuts, the last one goes to day was not decided yesterday when I left it was tried the day before but the jury disagreed so a new trial was ordered to day, We did not get through Nelsons cut until late last evening say nine o'clock, I then went to Rowlen where Wilmot was loading the Planet Henderson remained up nearly all night - she finished loading this morning at eight o'clock everything went awfully slow all night from six o'clock until eight this morning. Mr Wilmot does not understand the men & they does not seem to drive them everything else seemed to be going on all right - she got a good cargo, about 7000 from Per.

Capt Alvarez & Mr Kennedy have been in charge here this week & things have gone slow here but the ship has got a good cargo & will soon be off.

We begin now having some call for nuts & I have ordered Wilmot to buy

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 20th 1885

all that comes along, I did not have chance to look round much at the house or at the stock, it is the only time I have been able to go to Bowden since you left Elisha having been away for some time I have had all I could get along with, Tomorrow we have a case in court about Jango Gulley a place on the Round Brook property which has been trespassed on by tenants & we have Watson against Old Jacquit suit is nothing but leave this month,

I hope you are having a good time at home & that you will soon be ready to come out again for there is plenty of Bowden that wants looking after well Nice I want you to stop & have a good time,

With love & kindest regards from Father

J D Baker

Fort Jackson, Jamaica,

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L. D. Baker to
L. D. Baker

BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

"Albano"

Port Morant, Jamaica, Sept 1st 1885

Loren D. Baker
Wellfleet-
Mass

My Dear Son I received your welcome letter of the 17th of the Fremont & was glad to hear you & mother was getting along so well & pleased to know that you were stopping in Boston until you got all your little things together & ready to leave out. I received the basket of grapes & the brunts & "d" in good order.

The apples & water mellons of the "Baker" rotted badly but the pears were nice, on the occasion of the sickness & death of the Hewards Mr Mary & they were neglected & did not get put into the ice house.

Everything here is going along about the same. The "Foley" was here Saturday night & took 1400 bunches & 40 the Coloanut with the lot the Baker took & made up about 3400 last week. We are looking for the "Fremont" here Saturday next & will take about 2500 bunches & 25 the nuts this week, the fruit is very good & you are making a little something on the shipments. Mr House is firing away about the same as usual his fruit is looking very nice. We have had splendid rains —

BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Morant, Jamaica, Sept 1 1885

everything is growing like ~~mad~~ weeds grow as fast - as anything do little faster.

Mr Hance has sent down to Port Antonio for a Cork Cutter says he is going to have 100 barrels of Corn (subject - to the usual deductions).

Mr Walmot is getting along very well for a stranger he is paying 10½ pence per bunch for fruit at Rath the people find a great deal of fault - with it - I talked with them yesterday told them we could not do better it would then cost us 1/4½ per bunch on the wharf which if they put it on the wharf they would get.

Coconuts we have not bought many as the price was very low in America we could not pay anything for them here we raised the price up to 3/0 per 100 in the country this week so few are beginning to come

Capt Freeman idea of the price of nuts was very small, I wrote him he must not sell them at such low rate they would keep until Christmas & would be worth $2 per 100 before that time that we must have more than $16 per 100 & charged him $18

We hear that they are looking for the Brulus this week but do not think. She will al-

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BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

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Port Morant, Jamaica, ~~Oct~~ 1885

here before the last of the week, they have bought a great many more nuts than we have & have paid the people a larger price we will now go up gradually in price. Mr Harrison is going up about 10 tns a week it is cheaper to pay these people more money to bring in their nuts clean than it is to buy of him at 50/ but then his nuts are clean & we can depend on having them right along so we can buy both at present. You will be needed here very much by the time you get ready to come & I cannot do here much & besides I am not much acquainted with the people. I came up here Saturday with the Polly as usual was up nearly all night & Sunday I was sick the day since that am not able to move about much this I cannot make it out but I am really sick have not had a doctor yet to see what stage type of & call yourself sick in this country!

The Albano will be at St Antonio tomorrow night we have orders to day from Farwood not to put more than 1/2 her quantity on low which would be about 5000 bunches I am afraid the world had gone out & commit

BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Morant, Jamaica, on Saturday Sept 1st 1885

be stopped, however we had orders to cut enough to fill her fruit deck which would have been 20,000 bunches so if we cannot get below 10 or 12 they must take it.

Most of the people seem to think while you are away there is no one that has a right or authority over them, they seem to think if Mr Loren was here things would be different. They have not been taking good care of the mules & I scolded them & stopped their pay for a whole week because they walked away after I had scolded them & they thought it awfull however upon good promises I let them off & I think they will do better for a while at least.

I rode up last evening with Mr Wilmot to see the Philadelphia fruit & it does look splendid I think it is the finest cultivation I ever saw when you & Richard come we must clear up more land & put in a new planting by the 1st of January

Hoping you will have a nice time & soon return

I am your affectionate father

L D Baker

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers, Bowden

Port ~~Antonio~~, Jamaica, Sept 5 1885

Loren D Baker
Wellfleet Mass

My Dear Son I come up the Freeman while they are loading will drop you a few lines

Mr Wilmot has about 3000 bunches for us and looks like very fine fruit we shall not get through loading before daylight tomorrow morning (Sunday) as we had about 20 men hands to take in the "Freeman" which will only take two bags at a time they have to be put way down in the lower hold aft in the forward hold or bows I wish Capt Freeman could be here to give us a number cut posts in the Freeman if he had to take a saw and do it himself.

The Bananas from Phillipsfield look splendid about 120 bunches

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 5 Sept 1885

& Clifton Hill gave us about 400 bunches & House took about 500 from Morant & the selection made & before House gave 1100 in all the Swanna Pen gave us about 50 Bunches, (House has just arrived this moment I hear his voice giving orders to the stable men)

Cocoanuts we are rather in the back ground because Mr Wilcox did not put himself forward & offer a good price or a price equal to others, but we have some good engagements & Hollowe is giving us a nice lot so we shall soon catch up. We had order this morning from Crowell & Cable for 1000 by the Atlas Steamer, the next one

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,
Port Antonio, Jamaica, Sept 5 1885

is the 17th "The Claribel." think we will order her here unless the "Baker" gets here in time to take her place I dont want the Allen to come until we are compelled to take them (House has just come up & said since Loren Baker went away these fellows have been as dishonest as they could be they cheat him on the count of his fruit & double up great large bunches & Cecil is having a quarrel with him, telling he dont know when he is cheated & when he is not, he has just now dodged out & gone down to quarrel with Capt Anderson we told him Anderson was finding fault with his fruit) the Allen was under way coming here they wont go to Aux Cayes by this fruit is worth more to our trouble

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Sept 4 1885

vessels & we are not so driven to an hour for time when we have to do with the transient steamers. Capt Forwood was round to Port Antonio in the lady of the "Albano" & you would think nothing was too good for us so I think they have been doing pretty well with their fruit.

When Jas & Richard gets back we must put in more Cultivation I see the importance of having a large Cultivation at home where at any time can cut 500 bunches or more to make up when we come short. This week we cut six hundred on the Round Brook cultivation, & last week about 1000 stalks or more it comes in convenient to fill off with

Everything is going along much the same as usual I have got clear of the fever & am feeling

L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio Jamaica, Sept. 5 1885

all right - I will look out & write
get it - again,

I hope you are all having
a good time & that mother will
get her strength renewed &
mother & Rosby will have a
chance to run in the pond all
they want to, Everybody is asking
for Massa Loren there is a lot
of troubles laid by for you to
settle when you get here I tele
them I dont know anything
about it they must wait for
Massa Loren he will put them
right -,

Hoping that will find you
all well & with hundred love I
am yours affectionately

Father

L&B

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L. Morison.

Elisha Allen

Boston, Oct 4 1885

you to get drawn into them, so if you have to leave some of your other work you must do so,

Prices The price of fruit, must go down gradually from this onward so it will stand you in hand to keep stripped off clean, I have written Elisha Bunnell Bananas for the Baker & Freeman at 35 cts F.O.B. & for the price of the Philadelphia steamers to continue the same at present with the Boston people this New Orleans business is an experiment & the steamers have been reduced on their charters to 1900 for the Freeman 2200 for the Baker & we have came down in like proportion in the charters. They are meeting today to give the company a name, think it will be called the Boston Fruit Co. The name is simple & I rather like it,

I am so glad to hear that dear mother & the Chicks are in good health that it does not seem tedious to have to

L D B jr

SEAVERNS & Co.,

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H. G. Seaverns.
L. Morison.

Boston, Oct-4 1885

We some Globe Nails such as I saw you have said they were the best in the market-

Screw Bolts I have been to the factory since that we can get them of all sizes & very cheap such as we use in Buggies cost about 3/4 & each or a cent & a half!

Houses Oranges I have not been there yet but have told everybody that they ought to be very nice which without doubt they are I wish you had put up a few for Mr Crowell Please try & remember to send him a box of the next Philadelphia shaver,

Accts & Books it is of all importance that you should keep your books & account square up to a point as often as possible with the Portsmouth house they have made some grave mistakes the past three months & I dont want

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L. Morison.

Boston, Nov 4 188

wait or to do business & everything look cheerfull while you are all well, mother has written she has sent me a bundle of clothing I shall need them very much befor I get through here am going before the Lawyer next week again

With Love & Kindest Regards
from Father

L D Baker

P.S. I see by the paper the Brutus arrived yesterday going the Miller about two days ahead of her the weather was splendid all that time but cloudy after Cape all sept-,

P.S. Sept- Freemon finds full about the chage of labor for building orange decks I think it is about $15,00 if there is a mistake put it right Lon

L. (private)

L. D. Baker

Boston

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CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

"L P Miller" B1 P3 15.1

Philadelphia, Oct 10 1883

Loven S Baker
Sat Marond Jamaica

My Dear Son The Miller arrived last night bringing a blended cargo the fruit not so large but full full & clean They met a good market she is off tonight something new for the fruit to take in such a hurry & we are all surprised at it So I hurry you a few lines,

Mr Crowell is greatly in want of Coconuts & you must look round sharp & get all you can, I learn from him that the Coconut business up to the first of Oct shows a profit on our half of $400 after loosing by the lot shipped on the Elbon about $400

He seems to have taken a great interest in the trade & I think he is going to make a fruit merchant in time,

We want to keep hold of the large producers as much as possible like Harrison & Holland & Davis & Kirkland &c "&" & all the others you can learn of, keep well posted as to what others are paying we can afford to pay for nuts at this season though we dont want to go up high with those large growers then be obliged to come down to much so you must quietly keep posted & occasionally see those people & see that they are not getting dissatisfied let them know the market will soon be down but that we will be able to take the nuts right along & Yours

~~CBW~~ LDBr

CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

L P Miller

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Philadelphia, Oct 10 1885

You know how to manage the little flowers much better than I can tell you, only sell all the nuts you can out of them,

The Miller is a nice little steamer & think she will run here all the season (winter) the owner seems to be well pleased with the people & the trade. Of course if the cargos go well everything is all right as it seems to be here now, but a little poor fruit bad market puts everything out thus you see the importance of having everything right - & know you will have things right -

I have sent out twelve Baskets for the Colorado business & the Miller instructed Elisha to send them to you,

I want Mr House to make a business of putting up those Blue Mountain oranges & you must encourage him all you can in it,

I dont know when I can come have been served with two subpoenas so must attend to Court next week,

Capt Freeman has gone to New Orleans for business for the Freeman

With love & kindest regards

Father

CROCKER & ELDRIDGE

WHOLESALE GROCERS

RECEIVERS AND WHOLESALE DEALERS IN

FLOUR, PRODUCE, AND PROVISIONS

84 & 86 So. MARKET ST.

JOHN F. CROCKER.
EDRIC ELDRIDGE.

Boston Oct 9th 1885

Pat Marand,

My Dear Son Your welcome letter came to hand on the arrival of the "Baker" I felt greatfull that you had all arrived were in good health & spirits.

I ~~have~~ notice what you say about the Bananas on Phillipsfield & would say the fruit from Pat Marand came out looking very nice the "Baker" Cargo right through was good I think they have made a little something on it they all feel bright & cheerfull & they are starting out this New Orleans business with fair prospect ahead for the winter.

I have sent you a furnace to boil out cocoanuts the way I wish it to be is this, Shell the cocoanuts put them in ~~the~~ & boil them for half hour or an hour skim off the oil take out the cocoanut ~~&~~ dry it on a flake in the sun or

in the upper part of your loft and
the orange flakes & put them up in bags
& ship them to Mr Crowell do this soon
as you are able to get sufficient quantity
to make say twenty five pounds of the sweet
fresh nut & then the old nuts can
be boiled & kept separate from the
fresh I want the fresh nuts for the Bakery
& the old nuts oil stock. You can
of course skim off the oil comes
out while boiling

It is late & Crocker & Eldridge
wish to shut up & I must close but
will write more to night or monday
morning Have put your apples onboard
& told Elisha to send you what you
want

With love & kindest regards
Father

Lot Baker

CROCKER & ELDRIDGE

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L. Morison.

Boston, Nov 4th 1885

Capt Baker for Port Morant,

My Dear Son, I am in receipt of your more than welcome letter of the 24 oct & the Miller I am glad to hear you have found things in fair order & that only the writing up of your books remains undone, that with a few other things I trust will put you right.

The Miller came in all right, I was not there when she arrived but shall go tomorrow to see Capt Miller & Mr Crowell shall then hear all about it, the will stop sometime to have her new shaft, I saw both Miller & Henderson last week they seem like fine men & I think we shall have their work all winter it looks now that soon as the Miller is ready they will put her on to run to New Orleans.

I think Baltimore will run the Acadia in February will buy another steamer or charter one, so it looks as though we would have two steamers from Baltimore three from Philadelphia two a month from N York & the Boston steamers, Capt Freeman says he must have another steamer so that will make

L D B jr

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Boston, Nov 4 1884

quite a fleet - we will be obliged to look about our selves to keep them all running & give them good Cargos,

I notice what you say about Phillipsfield and glad it has turned out so well it shows what cultivation will do, we must put in all the level land we have this coming spring we want to plant so our first-fruits will come in good season, I notice you have now begun to clear up by the olee works that will not give us much fruit, but will give us good Cocoanuts & make the property a fine looking place,

Cocoanuts glad to notice you are collecting them in such nice large lots, the parties for which Noyes purchases nuts for are a little limited & do not like to go in largely for them, they are expecting every day for the market to go down, & that is what we all expect, I wrote Elisha to be carefull about buying largely & that 150 ~~the~~ was about as many as we should require but you can continue to purchase all that comes along, I wrote in my last

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SEAVERNS & Co.,

Edith Goodell

Foreign and Domestic Fruits and Produce.

NOS. 93 & 95 SOUTH MARKET STREET.

Fruits and Produce Sold on Commission.

H. G. Seaverns.
L. Morison.

Boston, Nov 5 1885

about boiling the Coconut meat of the cracked & broken nuts, I think that is going to save a large percentage of the losses we now have from cracked & broken nuts,

I have Chartered Schr Edith Linwood of Provincetown for the Coconut business Capt Thomas A Higgins will go in her, she is one & a half years old one of largest & best vessels in Provincetown, she will load outward from this port to a port to the windward, Bags charge as near as possible to the actual cost of the bags if they are second hand bags you should not charge more than 15 cents each

Harrisons Harness, I am sorry that there should have been only three Collars, just a mistake hope it has not put him to any great inconvenience it was bought from Philadelphia I think wish you had written who the parties were that sent oil - I will see Mr Crowell & A S Lazarus,

Horse & Mule shoes I have inquired here for Galvanized shoe nails & find they don't know what - they are they showed

Cable address, "Banana." Freeman

J. H. Freeman,

Fruit Importer,

84 South Market Street,

Boston, Nov 12 1885.

D. Baker Jr
Port Morant

My Dear Son I am in receipt of your welcome letter of the 29th & was glad to hear from you know that you are all well, I notice what you say about the thin fruit & the scarcity from Mr Noyes & yourself both buying one week & "&" also the three hundred bunches mistake in the Millers Cargo shall see them next week & will find out how her Cargo turned out the mates must always to keep tally with your man & then there will be no mistake but what will be found out before the ship sails,

Oranges arrived in fair order but are being culled & repacked some rotten but fruit that is sound is very nice you can make a business of the Oranges if you can get it worked down to a system so the fruit will not come so high I will find out all the outs in the trade & post you up

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Cable address, "Banana."

J. H. Freeman,

Fruit Importer,

84 South Market Street,

Boston, Nov 12 1885

I notice what you say of Palon have had a letter from the Laconia works asking if we think it will interfere with their trade & they put up works before they secure the Bamboos I dont know how they could very well secure the Bamboos dont think but what there would be a plenty if Palon did go into it for I believe when they were at work last they took most of their own & friendship Bamboos very little if any in our district write me what you think fit & what quantity of Bamboos (which is hard thing to tell) there is about Phillipsfield I shall see the parties next week,

Brittish Ship Scotia I have heard but little about have not yet seen her arrival dont think she is going to be a very powerfull opponent

Cocoanuts it is time to shut down

L & B p

Cable address, "Banana." Freeman

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J. H. Freeman,

Fruit Importer,

84 South Market Street, Boston, Nov 13 1885

now for a while only buy those that you cannot well get clear of for the price will soon go down to nothing in this market — shall want to be free again about the first of January I chartered the Edith Linwood she will be to Portland about the tenth of January She sails tomorrow for Eastport to load Plaster for Charleston there she will load hard pine lumber for Kingston,

I am glad to hear Dr Nayland is going into the Banana business hope he will put in a good bit — I am writing Mr James a letter tonight — to give him an idea how the market is tell him he must not expect too much The Freemans cargo will yield considerable money this time she will load next for New Orleans & her fruit must be put aboard as cheap as possible we must consider we have made our money on these vessels in the Spring Summer

L 013 pr

Cable address, "Banana."

Telephone 4

J. W. Freeman,

Fruit Importer,

84 South Market Street, Boston, Nov 13 1885

Capt Freeman has done wonders in keeping them going so long as he has if it had been most men they would have hawled off long ago they have not made a penny since purchase — I certainly think they must make a loss on the New Orleans business but as they have the vessels they want to figure where the loss will be the least under the circumstances one does not have heart to charge them a profit so long as the fruit is to be had in quantities so that we do not rob anyone that is paying a profit,

Acadia Mr Moodie went on on behalf of the business with J E Bell & Co after it was all arranged they did not dare to send the vessel to him but come hunting me up in Philadelphia with a mournfull story of their losses I made a 33 p c deduction on what was due so as to let them we wanted take the balance out of them before we got through with them I thought if we could have them then

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Cable address, "Banana."
~~Freeman~~

J. H. Freeman,

Fruit Importer,

84 South Market Street, Boston, Nov 15th 1885 –

winter it would be a great help to us

I have bought you 1/2 axes they were only $7 dozen they are what is called 2d class axe that is they are not perfect in finish but are of 1st class quality of steel also bought some Collars & Harness it is not second hand but has been in the store a good while I think I paid the rate of ten dollars dozen for the Collars & the lot of harness about $72 you must look them all over & see what you think of them & I have bought the bolts which will come of the Freeman & Mathews Groceries Ruby's Velocipede & mitties ~~& crop~~ & crochet set & a lamp for the sitting room & two dozen globes for Hurricane Lanterns & some four red chimnies & a little Lantern for Ruby & Father Hoffman is sending the old cat & the two kittens which Mrs Jordan gave the Children you will have to keep the old Cat down to the wharf stores as they are no relation & will probably quarrel

Lots pr

Cable address, "Banana."

~~Freeman~~

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J. W. Freeman,

Fruit Importer,

84 South Market Street, Boston, Nov 13 1885–

I am sending out a young man & want you to use him in the office with you he is from a good family but has neither father or mother I told him he could go to work with you they say he is a good writer & a fair correspondent I have told him he can not expect any pay unless you actually need him then you pay him something I think you will need him when business starts in Feb as you will have to go out in the country yourself very often & will need some one to write your letters,

I shall probably have time to write some more on Monday

With love & kindest regards

Father

Letter (private)

L. W. Baker

Boston

Nov 12, 1853

Cable address, "Banana."

J. H. Freeman,

Fruit Importer,

84 ~~South~~ Market Street,

Boston, Nov 16th 1885

My dear Son Since writing I have been to Provincetown & started the Edith Lincoln on voyage to Portland there she will load lumber for Kingston & you can look for her in about 40 days if the passing is in daylight she will set her Colours she will probably be ten days in Kingston then will come to Philadelphia

I have got the kittens and the Freeman for Mother Pauly

I am sorry that I have a piece to send the young Man that I was speaking of as he seems to want a great deal of attention & dont believe he will be of any use to you. Capt Anderson say he wants a nurse & 1/2 dozen waiters his sisters & uncles & aunts have all been down to see the vessel & see where he was going to sleep. Bill said he was going to "hang himself on a spike" but that his former guardian came down & persuaded him not to

Cable address, "Banana."

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J. W. Freeman,

Fruit Importer,

84 South Market Street, Boston, Nov 16 1885

be kind to him. I told Capt Freeman that my wife had not had a Baby lately perhaps she would be pleased with one, However if he is particular & not a working man he will get a passage home very soon after I get there. I have not sent any Grapes or apples this time I think it might be a long time before you get them.

Mothers dishes & knives & forks must be in Pittsburgh for I know they were landed there & they will find them

Well Mother I will write soon as I get a chance sit down & write a good letter.

There was a loss on the House oranges of about 35/c or thereabouts in repacking They did not bring so good price $ half dollar a, the other oranges because they were rough thin irregular sizes what will he think of that?

With love & kindest regards from your father

J. W. Freeman

Letter (private)

L. D. Baker

Boston

Nov 16 63

CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

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L. S. Bekings
Port Maranto Jamaica

Philadelphia, Nov 17 1885

My Dear Son, I have just received your welcome letter of the 4th & have taken much pleasure in reading it & thinking what a dear good son. I have & what a relief it is to think I need give myself no uneasiness about things at Port Maranto.

I have just come from a three hours examination as a witness & stand under cross fire & I begin to feel now that I am free to go & leave they only got from me the truth & nothing but the truth though they gave me a good twisting.

I shall go to Cape Cod & finish the purchase of meadow between the Islands soon as the titles are all made up & shall leave for Home.

There is a great deal for me to stop here for & I see something new every day in the work of the fruit trade.

I made the year arrangements with the Atlas Company yesterday they are to send the ships to Port Maranto every 14 days I could not keep them out of it. They heard Jan was more careful & that the fruit was much better than at Port Antonio so I had to allow them to call & we will do best we can for

CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

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Philadelphia, Nov 17 1885

The transient steamers to Port Antonio

We shall require all the fruit we can get & I think you had better through the country & see the people often encourage them to plant as we can I would like to make a contract with D Marchalleck but dont think you better make any advances until I arrive just offer him what his fruit is worth it looks as though if we bought him right out it would be the best way to deal with him, The Atlas Company have come to the conclusion that it is best to make what contracts they can through us & give us a royalty equal to 3 cents per bunch on those conditions I think we shall be quite safe

Oranges I notice what you say think it would be a good idea for you to ship a few on consignment to Stevens & Co & the Atlas to Boston & also a few to Philadelphia fruit Co (this steamers may not to exceed 50 bbls on any steamer this will give you a standing in the country & give you a better chance on the Bananas,

Coconuts those sent by the Foley were very good Mr Crowell says & I would advise you buying moderately of each one of your customers & try to bring them round to a lower price by making

L D B Jr

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COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
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Philadelphia, Nov 17 1885

Mother Thum made sure that it is the change of season that makes the price vary not ourselves that change it,

The L P Miller & Foley varieties came day so did the Acadia & Freemans so you will have them all in one week it never Rains but it pores

I am Jenny Rose with Mr Crowell to night & Belle close I say my good night

Father

L D Ingersoll

Letter (Private)

L. D. Baker

Philadelphia

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CROCKER & ELDRIDGE

WHOLESALE GROCERS

RECEIVERS AND WHOLESALE DEALERS IN

FLOUR, PRODUCE, AND PROVISIONS

84 & 86 So. MARKET ST.

JOHN F. CROCKER.
EDRIC ELDRIDGE.

Boston Nov 20 1885

My Dear Son I received your good letter of the 7th in due course & was glad to hear from you & know that everything was going along all right

I notice what you say about nuts am sorry that Elisha has shipped on the Alene for I would much rather ship to Philadelphia even though charter a schooner but I suppose he did what he thought was for the best, they will come to N.Y. the price of nuts there is very low $22.50 in bond — offer & they will come to be shipped over to Philadelphia state the result, of course another extra freight — so there will not be much in them, the breakdown of the B Henderson has fed you all out greatly I notice what you say about the price, "f.o. delivered," that is it will cost to buy what comes along at that price The Barley you & Holland nuts we must try to take care of will make it all right — Have with Mr Harrison when I come remember me to him kindly to

him he must - put - in a good field of Bananas this coming Spring the prospect for the fruit trade is better for this coming season than it was for last season or any previous season.

I am glad you have met the Manager of Polose Estate that is a magnificent property for Bananas if I could have bought - I should have done so instead of Williamsfield you had better see those people quite often encourage them all you can I want to see 500 acres of Bananas put in this season to come in the Port Morant Morant Bay districts.

I notice what you say about House will quiet him very soon after I get there we have spent money enough at Morant Bay we want to keep it - to ourselves he has had all the money he worked for enough - to be satisfied I want to put Dick in his place soon as there is a reasonable excuse for a change that is if you think best - you know more about Dick than I do.

I shall write to Elisha about the price of Bags 20 cts is too high it is quite out of order they pay 10 cts the duties no freight - for second hand bags should not charge over 14 cts higher - for you can import - the very best - for that, we now have about - 4000 bags in all the yards don't like to buy any more. I also noticed what you say about Fraser furnishing Coconuts for

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JOHN F. CROCKER.
EDRIC ELDRIDGE.

Boston Nov 30 1885

Yes for the fact — is he is struggling along trying to keep his head above water & soliciting all the business possible even though he does not make a penny by it.

Bamboo I saw Mr Perrine the Manager of the Lacovia Bamboo works a few days ago. He was anxious to know about what was to be done with Potosi Bamboo — seemed to think if they went into it that they would not be work stock enough to keep them both at it — but he said they never could make it pay to work it for paper stock for there were so many other things cheaper that could take its place they did not want it for any such purpose. I told him I could not tell if he chose to come & try it he could do so, and he would come down & look at it & bring his wife with him & stop a couple of days. They have a large mill at work at Black River. I notice that you will make extra effort to keep accounts up to a point if you would more help — Just let me

know if I will get a good man from here I think we will have to build a house for our hired help or two small ones somewhere on the hill so they can be separated from our home so that they can be kept in health,

I notice what you say about the Goods sent from Potter & Wilmington glad to know they were all safe will send some more when the Baker is ready to leave that if the cases not lost again if not can send the Brown Bread by the way of Philadelphia, Glad you are making a fist we hope Richard will get a good one this time for it is greatly needed,

I am waiting for the Baker to come round from New Orleans office and what they are going to do with her next & what is to be done with the Freemen I wish I was at home now for I think these two vessels will be more trouble to us than their business will be worth as we cannot charge any margin on them I think if we took them up for the winter we would not have much work at all would be better if we only kept our boats busy at work until February,

I have written Mattie all about Thanksgiving & shall write mother in a day or two,

We had a heavy storm this week & shall have another to-morrow the Linwood is on her way to Charleston will not get to Jamaica before the last of Dec I think we shall charter her for the

Write Capt Alexander respecting Charleston & Jamaica

B1 F4 6.

Lewiston
Ft Clagrant
Famnes

Received Dec 11, 5 [illegible]

Dear Son Since writing have had a bad cold & been tied up at Father Hopkins' but am a little better to-day. I must have left a few words telling of Carrie's failure into so that they would not look more than "Fors" could contrive to purchase. I wrote him the Foley could take on far & that far have another. I lobbied Diana last Monday in answer to a letter of his asking if he should purchase nuts for a schooner the words "No nuts" which meant no nuts for schooner, he may have misunderstood & stopped far & buying of so far. Can continue to purchase a cwt of "17 & 9" or less about include a profit on the in that price we will depend on profit - it this and probably you have written me before this but the letters by "Foley" have not reached me yet -

I have sent for Stubroud on the "Eulen" the 23d so shall soon be at home if had not been for this cold Eunice here comes the "Foley".

This is a hurried letter as Mr Crowell telegraphed and letters subject to special delivery write me when I come home

with love & kind regards
Your Father

L. [Private]

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L S Parker Esq
Port Maroon

Greenfield Dec 17th 1850

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Port Maroon Jamaica

My Father I am in receipt of your letter of the 29th of the Forty which came to hand the next day after my writing to her, & then upon yours of the 11th inst. came to hand yesterday, they both being addressed to me in Philadelphia & Norfolk expecting me to come for them, but am very glad to get them & have read them over several times. I notice what you say about the rough weather & I suppose we must expect it at this season of the year, tho' I hear the fort was on the rocks, but we have a good man to repair her if there is anything left of her I will get her off & come home, we have been very lucky so far with the boats, not to lose any since we have, The Mon. that home from you I have not seen yet though I have heard from him you did just right; he doesn't want a more useless he is ready to work on a lie,

Lorenzo I notice you have offered to do us best of anything hitherto in your letter, you must do what you can to make up near 100 tons of the time the Foley arrives

Enclosed I send you a letter which I suppose you will soon see her, Mr Crowell has ordered 200 tons & called this morning for 50 more to prepare that

moment suppose you will get the wild Cucumber,
I have always an the Indian & the pie I did come to
a few pocket & I should certainly be ship mill to
in the Pleasantville Thanks I must tell a bunch
of the ranges when the other Returns come you
can send a few to me I do know,

Glad to hear Garrett is trying to get us a
good road & the work I hope he will succeed,

Philipsfield has done well we must plant
all the good land there is and it, Elisha says at
present that he cannot give you much money for
cultivation but we will be all right soon as I
come, I would rather my wages be short at
Pittsburgh than otherwise they will collect in
a little matter & be more careful about paying
out, and don't care for them to know it when
I was away two years ago they put everything
through at a grand style it cost money

I have noticed carefully what you say about the
"Alene" & Capt Skidmore stopping but all risks - should
for word your letter to 18th from Liverpool
& about thanks you will be & the like trouble again

I heard from the "Alene" that the boys was very
nice for the season of the year

Jim Glass Pickford has got the rocket - way at
making his fish weir & will have the

Jennie & Mrs Burnett's old friend out to him that will give him plenty of shades as enjoyment

She has been in the house for many months now but able to be out yet - hope to be able in a few days then I shall venture to give a dinner as much as will bring me

Got Nettie's letter last night where her address at this post but I took been writing to you Edith

The Earth Lorrowed had a very rough time to Charleston arrived there the 10th with loss of part bulkhead & flats the wife dont be ready to leave before the 1st of April for Kingston with Lowder you can write for her address the 10th to care of Bowden, I think now of chasing Tom Battle in the Jackall Hathaway he has gone to Cayenne & will come to Barbadoes for orders if he wishes to check enough have written the owners to day

With kind words from your loving Father L. Hopkins

Letter. [private]

L. D. Baker
Wellfleet
Dec 1st 63

Fort Masons

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 14 1886

L. D. Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Son, I am about to go to the leaward with the "Pearl" on an exploring exhibition as there is no telegraph communication, we expect to fill fruit enough to be able to leave for Kingston tomorrow at 12 o'clock but it is uncertain shall expect from you 3000 bunches Tuesday hope shall you will not have to disappoint us

Yours with hundred kisses
Father

a crowd of buyers waiting
on me Rolls for money

I will send my Clerk
soon as I get to Portsmouth

Father

Manchester June 21
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Lieut D T Baker
Pat Marcus

My Dear Son,

I sent your master Waldron to help you this week I chance to meet him this morning & he seemed to be quite anxious to get something to do with his intelligent retiring way I think he will suit you however I have only engaged him for this week you had better take him to the house for grub & bed until that time expires & if you should require him for any longer time you can make other arrangements,

I got here before my buggy came from Pat Mitchell found

L. D. Baker
June 21. 16

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 23d 1886

L S Baker Esq
Per Maranel
My Dear Sir We just telegraphed you to send Jane here for Cape Almonte we thought we had left instructions to send her here, She will go to Longmans for nuts

Fruit is coming very scarce so we shall be short - for others we had no idea but Rogers was going to cut fruit for her, for next week we want a small cargo

We were glad to hear to take what silver you want or rather take $200 as we have a large supply just at present. Our Bank is small so use it instead of cheques where it will do, but draw what cheques you may need. The Freeman will come for 20 M Cocoanuts & shall depend on you for 1000 Bananas

Mr Brown will come up to relieve Charley next Monday & Allen will come in Richards place.

Cocoanuts you can authorise Gray to pay 5/0 per M I will write him the

L. D. Baker
June 21. 16

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, ... 188

frost. The big hand bunches will not go amiss as there will be but few from any other place

Try have all the fruit fresh for Mr Freeman she is slow at the best & nothing but fresh fruit should be put into her. I shall probably come up on the Freeman Saturday night

With love to Nine & yours

Father

P.
P. G. Adams
June 23. 18

P. D. Baker
June 21. 18

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 12 1886

L D Baker
Fort Monroe

My Dear Son
I have kept ready to come
by the Buggy but having been
away all the week there was
so many things to look after
that I am obliged to wait
O Connel in the "Foley" will
be with you in the morning
With love
Father

L. D. Baker
Conn 21. 16

Kingston Aug 14th 1866

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L S Bates Esq
Port Maraves

My Dear Sam, This voyage is quite an unexpected start-up little did I think, if going when last I saw you but I found after arrival here there was no way it could be done unless I went that is done with safety

I would like to have seen you before leaving but there was nothing of great importance I have taken Rehoboth to stay at St Andrews to prepare cargo while we go the rounds to other ports & would Capt Atwood to take his place but am afraid it will leave Elisha short-of help So I have sent a young man up to you the bearer of this his name Joseph B Price he is recommended as very good at writing & books he is a stranger to every body that I know knows Come from Tobago looks like a good fellow his wages will be 4/6 a day you find him lodging & board he is hired for no length of time only until I return as Mr Burrows will be at liberty May he can take his place & room,

Capt Forwood wants special despatch for the Aileen so you will keep Brace up to work with Brett Eus & Wasf

I wrote Elisha I wanted Capt Clewood to come to Marant Bay & ship the first crew of outboard Ailsa fit to the lee board ~~Annette~~ Bay with her thence to Port Antonio & help out on the way. have a double force ready for Ailsa put her right through & if boats are not ole really send them after her to Port Antonio.

I saw Collector General he says everything will be right so you can get drayers licence for the week ending Saturday night & you must apply for it & you can make up the papers as they dictate. Thought I have dictated them. They will read like this, "Permission is hereby granted Tallon Breeze & to dredge within the limits of the Harbour of Port Morant & Morant Bay for week ending Saturday &c"

& this paper must be taken to the Collector ~~house~~ Morant Bay soon as Custom office is open & when after hours it must be left with the Corporal on Guard or at our office & must be presented soon as any officer comes to Custom duties. I think now you will have no trouble.

I have sent some Rubber & some Salt the rubber is for the lee house, Mr Goodwin you can keep as long as you think best — & then send him to Port Antonio I dont want him to do anything towards lee house for Port Antonio until

we try the one we have faithfully first-
There is nothing further of importance that
I can think of,

The Paper I will sent - was for the money
borrowed of the Stevens family & they have
been very good & told me to fix the paper
so I could pay it when I could do so
without inconvenience It has been
now two years have paid one third of
the first amount & this paper is so if
any thing should happen to me the wife
he became will take it with me & read it over
carefully

I have with $2500 gold with me I hope to
get 150 acres more on this voyage I don't
like it because Lopez letter did not come &
then if the women have had something to do
with it - will find a better man if it is so

I have written to Joshua what he is to do
the steamer is about leaving so good by
Your affectionate Father
Ed Smith

Probate Letter

L. D. Baker

Kingston

Aug 14th '16

L. D. BAKER & CO.
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Sept 4 1886

Loren D. Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Sir I am sorry that the Pearl will not give me the chance of saying goodbye to you & Mrs Baker. You of course know I am leaving by her for the U.S. to try my fortune. I do not know where I may eventually turn up or whether I may find it impossible to get a foothold but I feel hopeful about it, and as it is for my children's good I go at all, I have no doubt the way will appear. I feel very sorry at the disasters which have come lately they are indeed discouraging, but there is a purpose and a lesson in even this and a brighter side than is visible yet. I feel somewhat sad at leaving, altho' all the time I have been a 'widower' and should have felt very pleased to continue the service if it had seemed right. I wish Capt Baker had been here to give me the letters of introduction & otherwise he promised me, but they will probably follow and I hope to see him yonder ere long. Accept my thanks for all the acts of kindness shewn me and me by Mrs B. & yourself, and be assured that as far as lies in my power I shall allway be glad to

you in any way I can. I hope if I stay in America to see you there (probably next year?) I shall be pleased to any hints or introductions you might think would be useful for me, as a "Johnny New Come" in a strange land.

The only address I can give you yet is to care of my sister Mrs Clissold
48 Earls Lane
Camphill Providence

wishing you prosperity

I am truly
Clifford

Please remember me kindly to Mr & Mrs Hislop, Cecil, Dick (when he returns) & the Misses Scully

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Manchester Ct
Sept 8 1887

Lots of
P. M.
Dear Son

We arrived here all right, Mrs Bolt wants 5 Bbl Flour please send them soon as possible

I have not seen Gray but Bolt tells me he is selling nuts to Moodie this lot is the second lot that he has sold that he thinks he has more on hand but he does not know if this is the case I think we will make a change I will talk with you about it

Hurriedly yours
Father

you in any way I can. I hope if I stay in
america to see you there (probably next year?)
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a "Johnny new come" in
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care of my sister

wishing you,
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Please remembe
Cecil, Dick, (when

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Kingston Cable Address, "FORWOOD," JAMAICA

LEECH, HARRISON & FORWOOD, Managers, Liverpool.
PIM, FORWOOD & CO., General Agents, New York.
W. PEPLOE FORWOOD, Traffic Manager, West Indies.

Atlas Steamship Company,

S. S. Arran, Port Kingston

Sept. 9th 1886

Lost letter in
Pat Mariano

My Dear Don, I arrived in Pallenfarm at 5.30 last evening had time to see Capt. Underwood & write letters & then took the Pirate back to Kingston arrived this morning of course I feel a little seedy today But nothing too bad.

There is a great out cry about the high price nuts in New York so I decided to prepare you to collect all you can and if need be pay more for them Mr Noyes told me he had some for you that he was also going to ship. Course so you better go for him for all you can get to ship by the Antilleos. We dont know but think you better ship them by the Arran will talk with Capt. & wire you, But need in every direction buy all you can at any price at present, Send down the Chief by the Freight eyes a young man I spoke

I shall leave by Steamer Coast Saturday night
with kindest regards
Father

L. Private

L. D. Baker

Sept. 9. 16

L. D. BAKER CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Sept 17 1886

L. D. Baker Esq
Port Antonio

My Dear Sir I am in receipt of yours from Kingston with Noyes letter enclosed also one of yesterdays date enclosing letters from ~~Noyes~~ Gray I would say we can only take the men for what they are worth to us, once there while we cannot do better, you can see by Gray's letter & what you have by accident learned that there is no confidence to be placed in his word. The write they have to give you talk by all means but enter into no arrangement or contract with them for futures

Mr Foley arrived yesterday & Mr Baker today as there has been no money lodged for Mr Foley we must hold an entire this is many

I think Mr Baker will come up tomorrow morning I call at

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, ... 188

Pat Morrow takes the nuts in early on the evening of lay over until monday morning leaving in time to land at 8 o'clock in the morning in Kingston. Many fore nuts you can draw cheques to the amount of $100 pounds sterling.

he will probably want ~~[illegible]~~ Bananas but don't cut before wednesday the Foley will leave you at midnight Saturday.

Nothing further there is never will see you tomorrow evening 5 then arrange about the letters for the week

Hurried regards
Yours

L. Private

L. D. Baker

Sept 17. 18

To Baker & Pat Moran

Kingstown Sept 11 1882
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My Dear Son I am in receipt of your two letters one of post of Arden containing invoices & B/L of nuts all right — I notice what you say about Gray & Noyes shall write Gray a quiet letter telling him he could charge us whatever he thought best we wanted the nuts this the price of Darlingford nuts would be 75/0 this month & next — you did not enclose Noyes answer to you, he are busy transhipping the nuts from the Arran Mr Watson was in the country untie today The sheep came all right though could keep Bright Eyes over until Monday, will get the tacks & the fifty Monday & send them by him, also a most valuable flea

I shall spend most of the time in the country next week shall come up on the Arden,

Capt Brown is sick the Arran did not go out today, The Pirate went out & went to Bluefields this evening Mr Sergent will have to attend to the loading think he will do well,

I should have come home to night but concluded another eight hours over a rough road until my boils get better

With Kindest regards
Father

I. Private

I. D. Baker

Sept. 11. 62

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Oct 11 1886

L D Baker Esq
Port Maroant

Dear Sir

We were just thinking we were worry forward to get the Clutellos to come for you but we have concluded he did not want them & are chartering Capt Graham to come for them He is to go down & pick off the Newsletter first & I shall spend little time at Oracabessa & probably be with you Wednesday morning get all the nuts you can

With kind regards from
Your affectionate Father
L D Baker

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L. Private

L. W. Baker

Oct 11. 1861

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Sunday morning
Oct 24

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 188 6

P S Nov 7th
P.S. Morning

My Dear Son, I am in receipt of your welcome letters which came to hand while I was away & notice Mr Gray & putting the prices down a little too deep the market will not warrant our paying more than 70/0 after this month we know they are in demand just this time but soon go down low & we dont want high prices entered on our books so you better drop Mr Harrison a note, Notice you are paying out quite large on the properties would say go as lightly as you can until I return but keep the Bonanas in good condition, notice your list of requirements & will get them you had as onboard the Freemon Capt Anderson will give it to you when he comes up, I have been up nearly all night every night this week & have had a hard time getting fruit but the ship is full & deck load & just leaving, write me often & let me know how business is going with you

With love & kind regards

Father

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CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE

Philadelphia, Nov 9th 1876

Lewiston
Pol Moment

My Dear Son I have such a full core hands that can hardly write will only write a few lines when the boxes break will give you a long letter

We arrived Tuesday Fruit got order but must two large quantity for Boston yet they got fair prices & she will make money

My Charterers her before she arrived to go into the Haiti trade if the war did they would have sent her back.

The Freemen due today she may come back, Price fruit is good, Brown brought a good cargo but looks if we would have a steady market all the year

Collamnts Price Rice remains same Mr Crowell wants all he can get but wants you to work the price down gradually as the nuts of Pol Moment will be here he feels like keeping them coming but if you go in too strong the price will fall do as you think best about price he send nuts by letter. Your letter about Noyes to buy what he wants to, we want to get him to buy fruit for us next spring

CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

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Philadelphia, 18

So sweeten him up, $20 for the on the wharf is all they are worth get them for that if you can

The Foley arrived in ten days Crew sick Oranges & Bananas in bad order & the Fruit Company in still worse order

I have written Elisha for a new account current so if there was anything which you did not get in your disbursement account send it to him to be taken out of the money that was collected after the sailing The B/L as we drew it was all right but not needed but keep it in the safe & should an injunction let anyone have it

Will write more later in the week

With love Kindly regards

Father

Brooks Letter
R. O. Baker
Nov 1 [illegible]
Philadelphia

Office of J. H. Freeman,

GENERAL MANAGER

BOSTON FRUIT COMPANY,

84 & 86 SOUTH MARKET STREET,

IMPORTERS OF JAMAICA BANANAS, ORANGES, COCOANUTS, ETC.

Cable Address, "BANANA."

L. O. Baker Jr
Pat Monroe

Boston, Nov 18th 1886

My Dear Son The Freeman is all ready to sail but Capt Anderson has been subpoenaed to witness at Court & has must by over until Friday so I drop you these few lines of the Goldenrod which leaves tomorrow.

The Freeman brought her cargo in rather poor no money made on it but they are going to bring cargo of all oranges or a very few bananas going to New Orleans no nuts will be needed. Some of the Bakers nuts & some of the Foley's came out poor seems they were green when put onboard you will be obliged to work the price down all that is in do until January. I have bought all the little things you ordered except the Bottoms could not get them in time as Capt F did not concluded to send her back until last evening but have sent 500 flanned W P Rounds for you need the same to Elisha for them I have written him

they were for you none had everything charter stolen him to send them to you immediately 21.2

Capt Freeman has gone to New York for arrange for two fast steamers Think he will have two good ones, sincerely hope there will be some Bonuses given for them you must go round see all the people & talk with them Keep them in time Mr Kennedy Capt Forwood may be going in on their own account so keep on the right side of the people as much as is reasonable

I have not seen Charley or his father was going there last of this week but just got a telegram from Mr Crowell asking me to come out there, My hand has been so sore that cannot take any comfort it is little better to day but have three more coming,

I think Think the Freeman will call on you as she has nothing to come to regard for. I hear today the Saragossa comes tomorrow for Port Antonio so there will be a little show of business Cannot tell when I shall come home but think soon as the Mail Fruit Co get their business arranged with I was in Jamaica now

With love & hundred regards
Father

Writing Mother & the Freeman

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Cable Address, "BANANA."

Boston, Nov 20 1884

Lo Bellin Jr
Port Morant

My Dear Son R Freeman I stand to leave for Jamaica I hasten to answer your letter of the "Saragossa", I would say as for Harrison Cocoanuts you can continue to pay him 8/0 until I get home & the market is good & the prospect is that it will not go low before the 1st Jan only keep up the standard your Mts are the best in the market except Corn Isle & Jas Blair & you must try to keep. ~~then~~ I do dont let any go out of the house unless ~~the~~ greatest possible care is taken in putting them up right - & look out for the green nuts.

When you have proper proof that the Iron pipes belong to Davis & he pays for them wharfage you can deliver them to him but not before I will write you on

Yours
Wm Freeman
Wm Freeman
Wm Freeman

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CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

Philadelphia, Nov 29th 1886

Lo Bu Pu Jamaica

My Dear Son I wrote you Yesterday & the Freeman & Hardy know what I did write since that have received letters of the 9th also one from Mother Glad to hear you are getting along so well.

Notice what you say about Hedlopes Cocoanut acct - running over - wonder my beyond a doubt there has been some mistake & that he met first part of that difference somewhere Potter was short on the first Cargo of the Baltan after the hurricane two Bags nuts so probably that may be part as it was taken in that night - the Baltan ran into the wharf Try hard to have the accounts kept so I can check them up often don't like to overrun though it is better than falling short - but want it just right - that shows that everything is going right -

The nuts from Salvey are of course Mr Crowell says he wants them all & wants you to keep them separate mark them by the number of nuts in each bag. There must be some small people that grow few nuts up towards Rocky Point try look them up & mark them the name of the place they come from but keep the MT nuts about the same grade as you have been doing they are sold on their name & if you put in larger nuts they will not pay anymore for them - & if the nuts are smaller that will spoil their name the Ja.[illegible] you know are not expected

Bocas Del Toro

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CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

Philadelphia, Nov 23 1884

to be so. There is no need of scraping the small nuts so if you could make the people understand that you could get the nuts seized by the people that is if they can be trusted oil-seem that I might be arranged this way when you have small lots so that gradually they would work into it. If Noyes wants to furnish nuts give him a price to buy on if there is any way of reconciled to doing business fair & in legitimate way with us he can be of great help to us when the Bunona season comes on But you are on the spot to know what is best so must leave it with you, we must work carefully this spring it looks now that we will have a large amount of work to do if we can keep out that great opposition or competition I want to do it, dont suppose there will be any making friends with the Manchester unless we give them all (as usual he wants) the logwood transaction leads me to be very suspicious of them he dont want to get the monopoly of price but so that there will be a scarcity of fulness of fruit we want to give the people good price but we want them to keep the fruit on the trees until it comes to perfection if we can govern Noyes we can in a measure govern Pitchoranti so it would be better for us to give him part of the work but you must do the work of making the arrangement if I do it he will run over you,

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CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

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IMPORTERS OF COCOANUT

Philadelphia, 23d 1856

Corts & I found it looks now that we must have more & that they should be Cattle teams for our own work on the Estates & that of the long distances must be Mules that can travel quick for we must quicken the delivery as much as possible so that our fruit will come in in good order,

Glad to learn you have been pushing the work on in building the Ketchen & hope matter will get a good Cask to put it,

The work on the Estate must be kept up & the Parrons tended Good care of for in them our business depends if they dont come then will be nothing

Hoping this will find you in good health & with love & kindest regards I remain your affectionate Father

L D Baker,

P.S. Mr Crowell wants to get all the nuts on the next steamer that you can muster as the following steamer the weather will be Cold

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Brooke Letter
Robert Gordon
Philadelphia
Nov 21st 1876

CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

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E H Godden

L D Bates Jr
Port Maranto
Jamaica

Philadelphia, Dec 10th 1886

My Dear Sam I am in receipt of your good letter of 22 nov & was very glad to hear so good accts of your Bananafields & that we shall soon begin to put ourselves to work again,

I have been detained here longer than I expected & have now put off the time of coming till the 22d thinks without fail will come on that steamer,

The Boston Fruit Co has not organized for the coming year yet they seem good courage but very slow I cannot very well come until they get in shape to work,

I notice what you say about Harrisons & Coanut account & sorry to know it is so large but I shall make arrangements to meet it soon as I arrive & will settle it all right with him & I notice what you say about his purchase of shooks from Capt Boyd,

Sorry hear Maybelle is so sick at Jalcas but think it is the best place for her for the balance of Davis & has always been an eyesore since she is out of my way it is over with,

Phillipsfield has fared well & had it not been for the storm must have given good dividend although the fruit was sold under price all the Spring, the others I am quite sure will all come in well, I shall get out the Creosoted piles so they will ready to put in next Spring but to make it so can load boat at any time with the

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CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

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Philadelphia, Dec 10th 1876

very expensive however will counsel the Nutes as business advances can do wonders if there is any Bananas to work on Will get Sam Peden to try something to protect Drawing Pen Coloring, you may continue to purchase slowly they are not required at present only enough to keep all hands at work & the people from selling them away. The weather is so cold that cannot move them without risk of freezing them I notice Noyes is giving you some thanks we must try to take him in with Bananas next spring.

My hand has got quite well & my health is very good though I nearly froze to death at Father Hoffmans the three days I was there

Tell Mother will get the Register send it & the Saratoga last of next week would send it sooner if there was any way could send it Glad to hear her health is good that the Kitchen is most done. will write her next

With Love & kindest regards from

Father

Pecos Del Toro
March 6 1889

L. D. BAKER CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, January 21 1887

L. D. Baker & Co
Port Maroant.

My Dear Sir, I received yours this morning & notice you will not want to cut fruit next week, the longer you can put it off the better the fruit will be & the price will improve with the season.

We have no news of Freeman yet but think he will be to leave N O tomorrow night; the Cheque to Mr Neyland is quite right but we enclose acceptance which please ask him to sign as the use of the money just this time is of value to us.

I think from what Capt Forwood writes us that the Cathos will not call for nuts P/ten however shall see him Monday evening will then let you know. We be up tomorrow evening about 8 o'clock.

Yours truly & respectfully
Pattison

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

June 21. 87

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Feb 4th 1887

L D Baker Jr
Port Morant

My Dear Son I am in receipt of yours of the 3d Glad Kinoya are well & getting along well, we regret that the Sch must lay over another week but cannot be helped the sea is so rough on this side that boats cannot work at the byports, we are dispatching Creole with load also work to Doll tomorrow, be careful some of Lanfords Logwood for the Schooner I done sent Lin Glad you have chance of getting some stone from the Barque, will be up tomorrow evening, there will be no Banana buying next week.

With kindest regards
from Father L D Baker

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L. D. Baker

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BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Letter for
Port Morant

Port Morant, Jamaica, Feb 26th 1887

My Dear Son I have ordered Oranges from Fernandes as I have since wired you, but could get no white pine for deck therefore took Narrow P.P. bottoms, also wired you to pay Magile £50 which of course will be on his cultivation, In acct of being obliged to take Coals for the Alva at Limon the steamer did not get away till so late in morning I hear she is to call at Black River take more passengers.

Very hard times as have hope she will get off without much damage. You may advance Cecil as the work progresses on his plantations that is if he has got a real good place I suppose he will want to put in from 5 to 10 acres this season.

With kindest regards
Father

Grant Letter
C. D. Gaither
Feb 24 1896

Rocas Del Toro
March 6th 1897

Lt Dr Baker jr
Port Morant
Jamaica,

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My Dear Lou, We arrived at St Andreas tuesday night - the cutters arrived some time we met them off the port they had carried away their mainbooms from gibing over through bad steering but alright otherwise, we left the flight at St Andreas to work to windward to the sea spray to keep starboard this way or would start the next morning look for them tomorrow the old wash sailed so well that the other boats had to wait for her often running under their jibs. We called at Limon saw the Alva loading where she had been for some time had only taken out two lighter loads of cargo will probably be there a month more as work on the Rail Road was very slow. also saw the Fox Hall Capt Doane, did not have time to go up the road as only stopped six hours but from what I could learn there is any quantity of Bananas there to pick ones. We arrived here yesterday morning had a fine day but to day it rains like a sea oil looks like a dreary place will make a landing here to day, There does not seem to be anything to eat here so far as I can learn Capt Elwood has plenty of provissions onboard but he has not arrived I intend now to come up by the Royal Mail the 12th of Elwood gets here in time so that I can go to Bocas Bocuendes & see all the Bonaventure people can tell but very little about it at present

I am sending this by Capt Brown to cater the Hilda but if it misses me I shall be home before you get it. With kindest regards Father

Private Letter R

L. D. Baker

Bear Old Town,

Oct 6. ~~16~~

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BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Morant, Jamaica, 1887

Joshua E.
Wellfleet Mass
C/o John L Hopkins

My Dear Son, I suppose you will have seen Capt Freeman by the time you get this & determined what way you will come out. I would like you to come on "Elsie" alone direct to Morant. I think Capt Jackman will try make everything as pleasant as possible. I have talked with him & it seems now that it would be a pleasure to have you come with him.

Everything is going along well here & the Bananas are looking fine. We had a gale yesterday which blew down a few of Jim's & Rogers & Noyes fruit. Mother better not bring her extension table. We will get along with what we have. Tell mother & Ruby I got their letter letters & wish I could have been there to see them. Have the good time they are having. It does not seem that I can wait - now for you to come. The routine of every day has got to be a burden to me & seems that if I could have you all with me it would be a relief to me. Your loving father
soon all be with me. Kindest regards

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, March 30th 1887

L D Baker Esq
Per Mercantile

My Dear Sir In reference to the cheque of $50. I would say I have given as acceptance an acct of cultivation as Dr did & wire send cheque. We have letter from Crowell & Co say Ethel A Merrill about leaving Philadelph with 100 tons coal balance lumber & shingles load her quick as possible Capt Graham is in her Walter Higgins two clerk come this letter dated 18th

Found gain, Capt Axel sending a S boat notice you have sent Helen for nuts Kingston which is all right

With kindest regards
Father

Inform Sanfilleber that he need not go out farther than twenty feet on new wharf Morant Bay

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, March 1st 1887

L. D. Baker Jr.

My Dear Son

I am in receipt of yours & would say we think in justice to your people you should buy some Bananas next week they will get tired waiting.

Mr Noyes has written Sutherland that he expects a Ship next week or some other week astay for his Relf. The Cigars must be supplied in a great measure from this port.

The nuts of the Helen you may select them anyway so that you get at their actual value for future guidance. We have Cattle oil will send say ten Cases of Cutter with flooring. W.P. Ceiling must wait for as we have none.

Eugene & Lizzie will come up with me Saturday night.

Love & Kindest Regards
Father

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

April 1. 63

E. BOLIVAR WOLFE,
SOLICITOR,
P.O. BOX 84.

20, Church Street,
Kingston, Jamaica.

April 5 1887.

L D Balch Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Son,

I saw Maresaux today said he could not accept Mapile's receipt on Cultivation, they never do paper on Cultivation are sorry for we want it many. Just now a month or two later we would be easier, Tell Mapleck must try & wait,

he leave at 3 o'clock on Andes

Am getting letter paid & books will send them to Port Antonio & bring them up Saturday May 14 Kindest regards for Father

Lou

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

re Magill's

acceptance

April 5. 63

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Apr 8th 1887

L D Baker Jr
Port Morant

My dear Son, Yours of yesterday to hand & noted. Don't think can give Capt Foster more than £5.0.0 want to use him good as possible but the price in N.Y. will not warrant paying more you can however make him a small present if you think best perhaps it would be as well, but price is too high for any way for us if the Merrill was not near by it would not pay however encourage him to come so he will learn the way.

Bright-Eyes can stay until you get her rigging & blocks & spinnaker pole.

You will need be careful. If Noyes & Marchalonis are going to buy fruit better write & ask Noyes if he will not buy for you that will round him up will give out how to fix, just as they

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, ... *188*

the small fruit as well as the large so long as it is full as low down as fine hand bunches all they bring, we are paying the for bunch for fine you may be able to get them for less in the country

Letters from Crowell say the Merrill sailed 30th instant coming first-to Port Morant,

Cable says "Saragossa" foundered crew saved

Love Yours truly
Father

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

April 8. 19

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Fitchburg

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 11 1887

L. D. Baker &
F. Morant,

My Dear Sons, I am in receipt of your of yesterday date would say as Noyes has already engaged to buy for Sutherland it would not be advisable to make an offer, Mr. Hopkins is telegraphing you to begin buying what to pay, Very good look out for the price dont let them get a head of you,

We just received a bree of "Arguan" to be with you Saturday morning wants Equal to 800 bunches 1st Class Bananas she will be right on time,

Eugene went to Kingston this morning & we expect to get from there about 1500 bunches which the Cutters will bring up to you, we want all the small eight hand bunches put into the 2d class make as good looking cull as possible, of course you will pay the people just the same as usual for them & take the fine hand bunches if full & good, We will order the Ethel A Merrile direct to you she has onboard Lumber Coal & Fish Stuffs, I am better to day will be up Wednesday night or Thursday morning,

I heard from Joshua last mail but 1 April not in this mail, We have three schooners in the harbor specially well for schooner trade,

With kind regards
Father

L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Lots of Re Marant

My Dear Son

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 12 1887

I am better to day or am down to the wharf but still very lame & sore but trust will have no more such trouble for sometime

The price of fruit is going up here & all the fruit is now bought a long distance in the country by runners in all the ports.

We learn from Sutherland that Noyes promises 200 bunches we suppose he has some of his own fruit & then with the five hundred bunches he makes up the amount

We have Cable that Capt Anderson in "Elsie" sailed the 10th

With Kindest Regards

Father

We are paying for fruit in the Country 2/6 & one shilling 2/1½

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

April 12. 1863

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

To Mr Baker Jr *Port Antonio, Jamaica,* April 13th 1887

My Dear Sir

Your welcome letter of 12th to hand & am glad to say that am able to be at the office today but not feeling so well as I could wish I think it is inward fever that is hanging on ~~at~~ or perhaps I have got a little cold after having had a sweating. I will come up tomorrow or the with Jam say before night.

We dont know about the Hands yet - must wait until Mr Gordon arrives. As for Noyes we dont quite understand what he means by 4 lbs canvas. We know No 4 duck we have none in hand if he will tell us for which boat he wants it we can order it with some for ourselves will get it in about a month or less

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 13th 1887

sending you two half-books cantaloupe 50 cheques each & Allen will bring 100 Silver.

Notice you are paying 1/6 per bunch for Bananas Noyes should have asked you what you was paying.

We are exchanging fruit at Montego Bay with Sutherland for that at Port Maria which Noyes is buying so you will please receive & cheque the fruit giving him the same cheque which you do with your own. Your prices are not too high. We think you should put the fruit up to 1/9 or to 2/0 to compare with other ports we are paying 2/3 & to 2/6 in the country & we will arrange the margin according & you can talk the matter with Noyes (this is if you think best - leave it all with us)

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 13th 1887

Mother Harrison wishes a remittance for the years work will arrange it when I come up

We are sending O'Brien for the Lighter at Morant Bay he is getting better worked out & he will take her off to the Colpin & bring her here put her in the house & can work on her in the rainy weather have telegraph Richard

We are getting but very little fruit all along the coast an offered will be a little short for the "Arguan" However we are trying get good fruit

I notice Arthur James will be with you the week

With Love & kindest regards Father

Brontë Letter

L. D. Baker
April 13. 87

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 18 1884

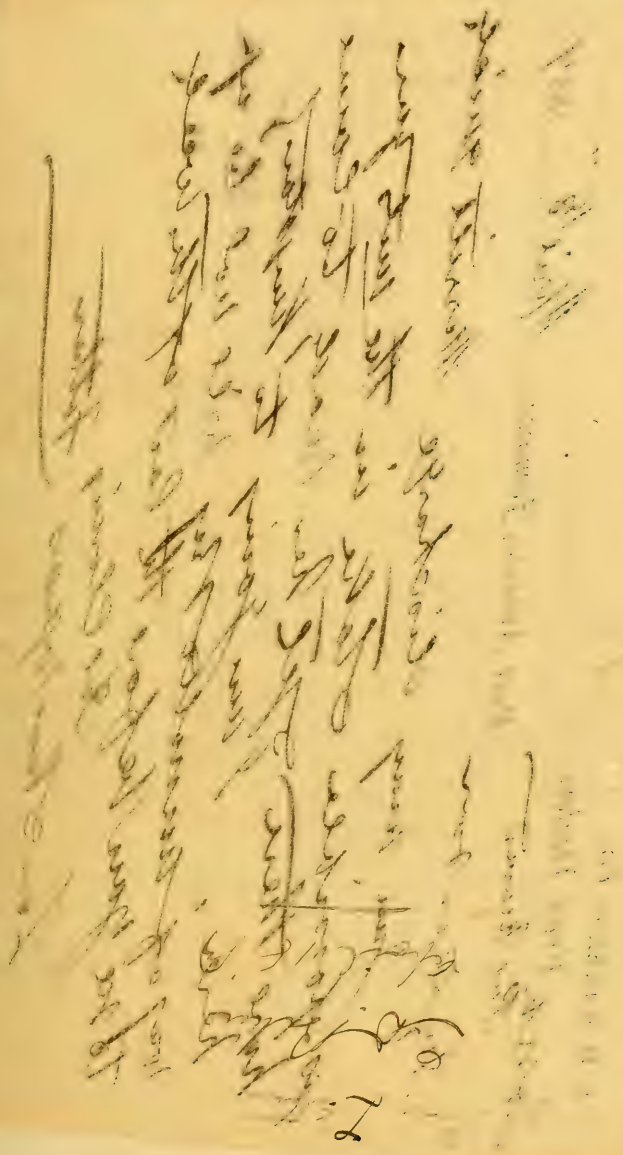
Dear Son
Put Manuel
My Dear Son

Jim may discharge Merritt quick as possible & take in the nuts you have there & get her ready to come here. I am going to Kingston way of Annotto Bay will not be up to see you before the last of the week.

Love & kind regards
Put Clovis
Father

Brownlee Letter

& Dr. Rabe



L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Apr 22 1887

L D Baker Esq
Pt Morant.

My Dear Sir yours received & hasten to answer. Put all nuts you can on Merritt & send her here Saturday night.

Elsa will not come to you next week but what Bananas you cannot keep over until next week follow for the Honduras but buy enough to keep your people quiet — can raise price letter will send cutters.

Notice what you say about Fitzclarence & will make that all right.

Wired you today: Helen take Cayo for Morant Bay & Pt Morant & Antonio.

We dont understand what you mean by "same rate there & back" We arranged to take the nuts at 7/6 per M & same for them that was first lot & after they were hurtled damaged we could see what they were worth to us.

The Jockey Club are protesting against the Bright Eyes have sent forward letter

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Jan 22nd 1887

to protect her but I think it
doubtfull if will be able to sail
her with them

I and think will be able to come
up tomorrow all my work is
behind hand well come up last
next week remain the whole week
until "Hondo" comes

With kind Remembrances

L Baker

Presented L. Etter

L. D. Parker
April 22 '63

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 27 1887

L D Baker Esq
My Dear Sam

We are in receipt of yours informing us that you will have 200 to 300 to ship on the Creole ~~next~~ this week, we wish it was more but then we must be satisfied with what comes these times. We are sending letter to Manchioneal tomorrow for nuts.

I talked with Mrs Bell - she wants to let us have her Cow & Calf a year old to reduce her account now was worth £8.0.0 but could give her what it was worth. Do you can send two carefull men to take them. She also wants two barrels Flour promises that she will not get in debt again if we try help her out this time so you better try her again.

Capt. Graham went out this morning taking 155 M nuts to

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L. D. BAKER) CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 27 1887

12 tons Logwood

The little schooner with Sallie left for ~~Kingston~~ Lucea yesterday but there will be another here in a short time, we have ordered 25 bags corn for you by the Helen so you can take 25 cases Hoil out of a lot of 50 which we have onboard

Hundred Regards

Father

[illegible] Letter

E. B. Baker

April [illegible]

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manager of Holcana Estate
that A price here is 80/0 but
that we think I has been
put up to put us out of the
market - that we must rely
on him doing the fair thing
by us I saw him the morning
he said he had an offer of
75/0 on the husk State the
nuts from his door I told
him that was beyond all reason
but he said he supposed it was
but one man that had an
order for a few, I did not
think at the time that they were paying
so much here so after hearing
what was going on here I wrote
him I saw Snufflebee and
he would come & see the things

Manchioneal
Mar 2d 1899

Dear Dr Fellen
Re Marant 31 F4 40.1

My Dear Son I find that the
Company is paying 80/0 for
nuts on the half husk here in
Manchioneal shucking them
& shipping them from here;
I have instructed Naylor
to pay the same, he says he
shipped 2000 on the Comp
that he has more but that
was all the contract,
Have written Harrison that
they are paying 80/0 on half husk
here & that we will pay him
that the coming month that
you will send him Cheque 100
pounds Also written the

that came out on the Merritt
1.00 Old Mossa Suffers says
the man that came for the
cow & Calf was so drunk
that he could not manage
the cow & he would not
let him take her but sent
him for a team he have got
telegram that they are coming for
her again this Evening
The Mule went very well
quite as well as Sulton
I will start down at four
o'clock

Father

Private L. Atten

L. D. Baker
Merchant
Map

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Lorenzo D. Baker
Port Morant

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 4th *1887*

My Dear Son We are in receipt of yours of yesterdays date & notice you are in the country watching the proceedings We have telegram this morning of Hearst's failure so dont think opposition will continue. Strong one wires you the same earlier in the day we wires you not to draw cheques until further orders.

Fruit is coming in better this week we think will get Hondo very good fruit, soon as Cutters arrive from Kingston dispatch them all haste for Manchioneal

We measured the berth where the Argyan offined the distance between the side ports to be 130 ft - if that is the case we dont quite see how you can work two gangs of men unless you

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L. D. BAKER & Co.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 4th 1887

work them both in same hatch by putting stage up the side & working one going over the deck & the other in at the side port – at the same time which I think can be done however I will be up Thursday night & will talk with you about it. I am bringing the Capt of the Nellie Colburn with me to stop all night & spend the day Friday & come down on the Hanover.

Your Centuries are here will deliver the rest.

Sending Pines with oranges on the Alpin Thursday morning from Kingston better take pines out the barrels & dry them, will not ship Cocoanuts as Elsa soon to follow

Kindest regards

P.S. your telegram reference to Jotter Cocoanuts at 8% in whole bunch this is too high not worth more than 7½%

Dear Father

L. C. Porter
N. A.

May 1 [illegible]

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 9th 1887

L. D. Baker Esq
Pt Morant

My dear Son, We have had telegram from you Saturday saying James had bought fruit is coming in & asking what price we would contract for Jany 88 or Jany 89 & we are writing him today, of course when you take fruit from him now you will pay for each lot as you receive it & pay as you pay Dr Nayland & other large people so there will be no chance of saying there is a contract when there is really none. I don't fancy making a contract for two years when we know so little what will come to pass & as for January next we know we are not going to want for fruit but still we want to use him

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L. D. BAKER & Co.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 1887

right & take no unwarrantable risk ourselves. You will buy carefuly this week leaving all the fruit you can for the week to come the Atlas are anxious to get a large cargo for the Alvena.

The Stein sent merchantmen for cocoanuts has broken her rudder braces & O'Brien has gone up to put them right & George Pinnock is with him will come round in the boat. Pick what limes you can & bring a few limes last of the week if you can get some good Mangos send a few of them.

The Hondo left at Eleven o'clock Saturday night in all from Jamaica 1450 or 1300 Bocas

With kindest regards
Father

Private L. etc

E. D. Baker

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 10th 1887

L D Baker
Port Morant
My Dear Son

We are sending the Helen for 20 ~~th~~ cocoanuts to go onboard the Elsa as we have but few here at present. She will persecute Holland Bay & leave some lumber for Lanfilleau. You will be obliged to give her quick despatch as she is so slow. Fruit here is coming in very slow & we are getting a great deal of much thin fruit the prospect for a good cargo looks very dull. I have been up to Golden Vale one day the tenants are putting in large quantities of fruit & we have three ploughs working all the time will finish up 70 acres of the 15 June we have 23 acres planted & trees grown a foot high so we are doing all we can before the short days

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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begin You must do all the planting as fast as the land is opened so they will be growing in season of the May rains, I am going down to Court-Ruff-Bay to Marrow to the Calle of Mr Middleton for bren peas & Fisher bunny Runner - See us,

Well Parcel received
Faithe

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

May 10. 64

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 13th 1887

Mr Baker
Port Morant,

Yours of 10th just came to hand & in answer would say, if Mr James does not want us to have his fruit it is all right if he does want us to have it he will send it over to us think it wise to let him alone altogether there is plenty fruit coming we must take care of Dr Hayes Magill Mr Hollis & others had have been depending on us. I can offer Nogues 8 1/2 for nuts clean & regulation sizes probabelity he does not want to sell them but is fishing for a price report from American price not discouraging

Will send Crates for Nogues we have sent Telegram W E Baker.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Oct 13 1887

arrived we expect Lee Commission
We made closer ~~[illegible]~~ than
you that Harrison made his own
price & 7/6 for the nuts I wrote
him the price would be 8/ for
the month of May. I wrote
Watson Taylor that we would
leave the price to him about
like the precedent of making
three selections of nuts, as it
is there has been someone been
going for us & we must let them
know that we are able to stand
a high price if they choose to make
it so but with Noyes he is buying
for someone else & wants to know
our price after he has bought or
tell him we are getting what nuts
we want at present & don't
require his as you think best
I went to Court ~~[illegible]~~ & gained
our case against Moodie

44.3

L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 13th 1881

Capt Freeman writes very encouraging about the Argument & the good market they met - and bananas & fruit came out first-class, that the long voyage was caused by taking in to a lot of bad coal & lightering around Cape Cod. I will not be up until late Saturday night - send buggy for me at Merchants as I am going out to Kingston to go round the Island with the Alnena. With kindest regards

Yours

Father

P.S. Just thought I enclosed please find letter have written Thos Jun would send the directions that if he was, Separation would see him off £25 - 0/0

Aug 25 - 0/0

Private Letter

C. D. Baker
May 13 59

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 20 *1887*

L. D. Baker Esq

My Dear Boss, I am in receipt of yours & notice you must have had quite a Thursday time fleet it was no worse Tell the Doctor "he must not dance before the fiddler comes", Think you did well to get what you did for the Corrosa Noyes nuts came to Sutherland & he wanted $35 pr ton he told Sutherland $20 was the most that they must be selected so they are in our Wharf on storage, Tell Noyes dont require nuts this month that market is down not worth over $25 and I can give him sixty shillings delivered sound nuts, We have written Fames telling him he knows where we live & that we are always in want of good fruit at fair market prices all he has to do is to send one & find out when

45.2

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 20 1887

It is required

Will draw Mapples paper when I come up —

The cutters are all out cannot get them in it is either a Colon or a squall. We have about 4000 bunches left out from the "Olivena" nearly enough to load the schooner which we will do tomorrow.

We got letter from this week & we think everyone seems inclined to try to work down the price.

I will be up Saturday night — tell mother I don't want her to go home yet — its going be too lonesome and stuffy —

With Love & kindest regards
Father

Private Letter

L. R. Baker

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 6th 1887

L D Baker &
Pat Morant

My Dear Son,

We have had an awfull Hurricane but not much heavy wind, the Creole went out with a Crew for the new boat & with lighter in tow we wired you this morning asking if she had arrived no word yet

There has been so much rain Coaches not come up,

Think of planning up on the Alerate tomorrow have given her some Coal, Mr John Bell is on her & the Company will load her we could not take her was afraid cutting the Elsa short

The Elsa is to go to Kingston Wednesday Nearing with fruit for yacht on hire

Father

Capt Baker
June 6th 87

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

L D Baker Esq
Pt Morant

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 13th 188

My Dear Sons I am in receipt of yours with Maples acceptance for signature, which please find enclosed he must endorse it on the back as payee then it will be all right. You may allow Doctor £14 10/ for his fruit delivered at the wharf during this month ten pounds for next month I suppose 7/10/ for the following months of the year same for Hellier & Maple & James; James has sent quite a strong letter which I enclose I have written him that we could not make a contract this side of the year but that our transactions must be raised up the terms of his letter to you so be careful & keep both letters or he will try to force us into a contract of some kind

I think I told you Creelel owes us of wk £12 for 100 for last week

47.2

L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 19th 1887

Fruit you can change that I talk as I think that is the price named in my letter to him March. He holding his fruit too high for us there will be plenty fruit by the time it comes in with others that are depending on us we will have all we can do to take care of it

The chances are against my being with you Saturday. Do the best you can I will be all right. We have cabled Freeman to have Hondo come the western way but have no answer in that case she will not call on you but your fruit will have to be sent by cutter. I expect to leave tonight for Kingston

With kindest regards
Father

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
Atty.
June 18 1867

L. D. BA[illegible] CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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L D B

My Dear Son
I wrote the Foley will not come
but we dont know yet
soon as she is found
will wire you
Tell Mathew Cowles not
get Coals today will
send first chance
Father

Dick is to come down
Check the Kingston
fruit The Alfred is
reported below with
fruit for the Cuales
from Bluefields but
cannot tell how true
it is

with kindest regards
Father

P.S. The fruit not given
to Cocoa Shades be
kept out right

F. Swett
F. J. Baker
C. H. J.

Kingston June 14
1897

L. D. Bolton Jr
P. Marand

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My dear Son We have
no Cable yet from
the "Hondo" I hardly know
what to think however
if she comes she must
take what she can get
the Arran will come
on June for sure you
can give her about half
you expect for the
week unless you have
word from me
telegraphed to day for

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

Lexington

June 14th 67

L. Private

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 17 1889

L D Baker Jr
Port Maria

My dear Son I shall be more than glad to have you come & spend two or three days with me I suppose you will be obliged to come by your buggy. We dont know where B Hands will turn up we ordered her by the way of Lucea but we have no news only that she left or would leave Rocas Wednesday night as you have shipped most of your fruit I will not pay for her to come P Maria so wired you today to tele pilot send her here have sent same orders to Lucea

Glad learn that dear Mother had a nice smooth passage home I told her I parcel the "winds would be tempered to the shorn lamb"

With kindest regards
Father

Cunard Company, 17 Cornhill, Boston, Mass. Leaves Boston Wednesday afternoon & touches at Yarmouth, N.S. & Halifax

L. D. Baker

Pamphlet

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, ~~May~~ June 24th 1887

Dear Sam, Since writing this morning we think it will be better not to buy at all but to cut from Clifton Hill & our own one Cutter load. It looks now that we will have a large quantity fruit come in here & P. Maranda fruit will not be needed if you can buy all the fruit you can for the week following. We will have the two big ships Atlas & Agnes first part of the week & you can make much more on the fruit & will give the Elsa a nice cargo.

Yours very truly

J. L. B.

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

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BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Morant, Jamaica, ~~July~~ June 27 1887

L D Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Son, your welcome letter of yesterday came to hand all right. I notice your people and the jabilee that you are alone only wish I could be with you but we are busy taking fruit coming on for Elon quite plenty but up to this time she has not arrived looking for her every day, will have a cargo P P Lumber in August but will send you some from time to time as the boats come will order some common NC Boards & this Baltimore steamers will be here say three weeks hence, the Pirate did not leave until yesterday cargo quite old, we hear that Bell is on his way out on the Kennelworth to here Saturday he got a letter frightener he Cabled last friday to know when the

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BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Morant, Jamaica, ... 188

Pirate would sail at that time she had not arrived & Rush Cabbed Pirate not arrived Cargo ready & it was supposed he jumped aboard the Kenilworth & came on.

Our Bank book is little low so do not draw until we advise will probably be all right - Saturday

Capt Mainwaring wants you to take one of the middle ground buoys & put it where the sea buoy is & take up the sea buoy & bring it in to the wharf & and clean & paint it & make an estimate what you will paint all the buoys for

I don't think there is any need of your letting up the middle buoy just get a good strong Rowboat - a flag on it is better for the little time you want it, you want to look at the chain & anchor as there is a great deal of wear to that, Tony can

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BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Morant, Jamaica, June *1887*

or ought to know all about weighing the anchors & doing the whale business he is a Shellback,

We want good Rusher for Golden Vale Jim was speaking to me about Randolph do you know that he would care to come & what pay would expect. If you think best let him know you go to see him,

Notice you will be carefull as possible in respect to Expenses we have made little or no money this season & we must be prepared to meet a cut down on all sides that can be reduced without injury to the business,

With kindest regards from
Father

will send along your letters soon as Eva comes

Private Letter

E. R. Parker
Ft. A.
June 2, [illegible]

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, ~~July~~ June 24th 1887

L D Baker
Port Morant
My Dear Son

For Thing you better buy a very small quantity of fruit next week as we will have two large steamers the week following & will sell all you can unto put at more time you can buy from P-people so they will not be discouraged

The "Elsa" will be in great hurry & not able to come to P Morant So must send you letters for the fruit

The Matheson is in Kingston with most heavy spring & fetch the fruit, he have advices him to come to P Morant & load back to Philadelphia but he will clear the letters with the Consul & forward from Father

L D Baker

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

L D Baker Esq
Port Maria

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 7th *1887*

My Dear Sir, We have your telegram saying you are keeping the times for a little fruit that has been cut in the country in anticipation. We rather thought you would have difficulty in keeping back the fruit when you had once given out the word. We are sending the Dote to Manchioneal in readiness so if you should want another boat tomorrow, The Pirate arrived here yesterday morning with her machinery out of order & will be obliged to lay until tomorrow before she can take her fruit. It is now getting rife in the house and we very dont like such jobs.

We look for Elon Wednesday morning, that learn Jamaica is looking better and must get some fruit from somewhere to pay our expenses this season be careful of every expenditure make every penny count

With kindest regards

L D Baker

Private letter

L. B. Baker
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June 7 – 87

L. B. Baker

BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Morant, Jamaica, July 9th 1887

Lt Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Son, Enclosed please find the letter came by the Elsa in my hurry I did not take notice they were directed to you & I opened them before I came to my senses. However as they were from Mother & Sister Nellie I trust no harm has been done.

The Elsa came in late yesterday we worked until twelve first my 7000 Bananas 500 Coconuts & twelve o'clock was then the start right down to Port Maria but the Engineer let the water out the boilers filled them up suddenly & set them leaking so we have been delayed six hours; we have a fine cargo for her 15000 her Coal cargo

BAKER & D.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Morant, Jamaica, July 1st 1887

seemed to have sold well & they were anxious to get another as soon as possible. We expect the Lapon with you Saturday. want you to chk about half the plantation fruit for Antilleas leaving the other half on the trees as long as can be left. Mr Kennedy says he is coming up to select the fruit He has an idea that we are going to shove him off with the poorest. warn your people against cutting the fruit we have rejected some 1000 bunches of fruit that could have been taken at some other times about take six hand bunches except they are very large there seems to be large amount of fruit coming on at present here. We have not number to get quantity. You can draw cheques Saturday. Yours

Private

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BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Morant, Jamaica, July 8th 1887

Loren D Baker
Port Morant
My dear Son
I have had so many letters to write that have not been able to write to you since write by the boat
Kindest regards
Father

L. Private

L. D. Baker
Esq.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 9th 188 7

L D Baker Esq
Port Maraut

My Dear Son We are sending you by the Lady with Salt Mackerel & seven pieces of scantlings for your building they are cut 13½ & 14 ft long I believe your building was to have fourteen ft posts cant not remember exactly however the pieces are cut according to the length of the scantling one cut in two made 13½ ft the other cut in three made about 14½ feet each then there are pieces of about 4×6 which we put in because we had no more old 6×6 but have plenty new 6×6, When you want scantlings please send the measure as near as possible so we can cut it for the Cutters deck

The Lady is to proceed to Kingston load for Port Antonio the Breeze to load for Mt Bay & from port &

Elias for Rosalie
Accounts Lady & Cannot find it

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 9 1887

help bring up your fruit, if she is in time which we think she ought to be. We have no large bolts, you had better send to Malabre & they have some large ones, we send you the largest we have, also send bale of Bagging twine & bundle cotton

I am afraid that flat boat may get eaten of the wood ants after she is calked you better shove her off & let her soak in the salt water.

I notice Dr Neyland wants the paper renewed again. Also notice what you say about Clifton Hill fruit & will make it right.

You can offer Holland the same price for nuts and tell him we dont require a large amount this month ask him to allow them to remain on the trees as long as possible or until 10th Aug.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, ... 188

We expect Aguan on time we have
Cable from Capt Blowell saying
no Aguan he does not know she
was to be a week behind time, We
expect she is Colon tomorrow &
we will get Cable Monday, will
then immediately wire you if
line is out order wire come with
the Pussy, we think Tuesday Wednesday
& Thursday will be the time to get
in her fruit but dare not cut
until we get Cable, Be specially
careful in selecting fruit can
take six hand bunches that are large
ones, Geddes will come 4th
July & you can place him as you think
best; you can offer Noyes 70/6 for
his Cocoanuts selected if he asks
you, There must be some time to accumulate
now there will probably be quite a
quantity in the market ready we
want all we can get at 6/6 per hundred
selected so you runners can offer

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 9th 1887

the people b/o delivered at Wharf: we telegraphed you this morning to Buy the nuts for Elon. We think the next Callers will call Pt Morant can the send it through cocoanuts. We herewith enclose B/L. What is deficient make up with Ja nuts, owing contract of shortage. & we also enclose invoice of Mdls Sold - 5"5" The Mdls are good if you would like to have more we can send them, but if price to high let us know at once as they are on consignment to us & we can make the price less but we want to invoice at a fair rate, Sall - There has since arrived a little schooner with 300 bushels we can purchase & send to you if you can handle it in Mt Bay - Pt Mt in a reasonable time, We bought the fifty barrels before we knew of any more near by. To day a large came in very well supplied, we may be able to purchase the other a little cheaper having B Schr come right - to you

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Feb 9 1887

However as you now have the fifty barrels it will last you some time & probably you will have chance of another cargo by the time you need it. I will come up soon as we get cables from Aspinwall & arrangements are made here for her cargo

We are loading Alpin at Annotto Bay & St Maria next week. She will come up Thursday night - take laborers here then go on to Annotto Bay & St Maria take final clearance from there. She will take 7000 & we expect a more excellent cargo as fruit down this way is very large & nice & seems plenty of it. We are paying to the people 1/6 delivered on the beach

We are buying very little in this port - the fruit is small & thin we are paying 1/3 in the country

I think, some as you can judge better. Stop off some of your runners especially those that are off - to get onto you a man

L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 9th 188 7

that keeps his accounts square & gives good fruit cannot be dropped.

If Mr Noyes writes one to you you can give him the wharf price. I have no faith in him & you offer him anything better than wharf price don't let it be more than 4/0 more want him to sweat a little & we will then make arrangements with him if we think best.

We will not want much work done on the properties while you are away. We are getting good Cocoanut from Mr Banbury will send them up so you can instruct Sullivan where you want them planted.

The Electric arrived yesterday. Mrs Jones & Mr Leeward McBey for fruit will take final clearance from here Monday morning.

With love & kindest regards

Yours

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 18 1887

Mr de
Pt Morant

Dear Sirs

Pilotage Aspinall should be £4,0,0 please have it corrected all the other ships of the Company have been done for £4,0,0 and we have not been notified of a change.

Will probably want fruit last of week, dont want all cut before Thursday & Friday steamers with you say Saturday night.

Please take notice Davidson Colthurst letter enclosed

Yours truly
L D Baker & Co

L. D. BAKER & Co.,
Fruit Dealers,
Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 25th 1887

Mess Baker & Per Maraud

Dear Sirs We have the Enclosed letter from Mess Johnston & Holloway we suppose the Consules Invoice had been sent for the Chemist please attend to it immediately.

Please notify Dr Nayland & Mazile others that the price of Bananas next month will not exceed 7/- per 100 we have written to James. The Market in America is extreamly low in America our order to keep the ship coming must have fruit cheap. The price in the Country should have been one Shilling per bunch to the growers this week so we wired you this morning "Fruit should not cost over one dollar on wharf otherwise arranged carry out your arrangement but reduce all you can"

L. D. BAKER & Co.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Feb 25 1887

Every expense of freighters & cartage must be calculated to the closest possible amount & everything saved on it that can be saved for steamers cannot run this season without they get the fruit cheap & we must find the fruit as cheap if we are to have them at all

Make the people understand they are the people they are the business if they want the steamers to come they must offer inducements;

We can get all the fruit we want at a much lower rate anywhere to the west of us, we know very well that they had fruit when it was high & can afford to sell now cheap that is Rt Morants most

L. D. BAKER & Co.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 25 1887

unfortunate fare — they did not have the fruit when it was high now it is low they must bear it. We hope there will be no storm this season if so we will soon make Plantains equal to any fruit in the world.

The Elsa will probably get around to Jam. by Wednesday every four o'clock, must have quick dispatch.

The times should have reached you & this time the sea proved too heavy just back stock in bottom — left at one o'clock. Romp left last night — ought be with you to day. Keep us advised every hour how we are getting along. What quantity you will have.

Yours Truly
L. D. Baker & Co.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 26th 1887

Loven Father & Mother

will great wars

My Dear Son will drop you just a line let you know I am well & sincerely hope you & mother & the Chicks are I have not been to Rowden since Jan left - the Elva goes there tomorrow morning Sick with 28,000 stalks. The Packet arrived there with 60 tons of coloanuts, two tons of ivory nuts Saturday so I expect they are pretty well filled up. We loaded the Miranda for Baltimore with 28,000 bunches last week, shove the Elva off this week so we are busy next week we have a clear week nothing to do fruit is coming splendid but will be just cheap have note fear everyone up to St Marand prices must come to 9 10 next month there is little or no news plenty rain hope you will have a good time come home well recruited for another year's work hope to do much better next year than we have done this season with love & kindest regards

Father

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 29th 1887

Porter & Co
Mr Morant

Dear Sirs We are in receipt of yours with Enclosures & in answer would say it was just as well the boats left with fruit did not come

Notice telegraph mistress report greatly obliged to her for the efforts made for us nothing lacking on her part — There has been great trouble on all the lines ever since the week of the jubilee the lines seem to have been on a spree ever since, We think you did well with "Elsa" though your fruit seemed to be large proportion small fruit will not require more fruit from until above 8" & 10th

Tropic nuts are worth or cost fifteen dollars or 60/ a ton bought from a wreck. Coconuts about 8/ per ~~the~~ Sterling enclos

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L. D. BAKER & Co.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 27 188 7

Please find invoice,
Select the Coconuts carefully
put them by themselves until
the water comes which think
will be first of the week.
Want you to push along
the wharf building get a
carey as it comes as possible
We are short - at present will
not be able to help Mr Boyes
this week

Yours truly
L D Baker & Co

P.S. Please ask Mr Sullivan explain
Rosedown Coll Thurs - to Cellar
J D B

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 1st 1887

Mess Baker & Co
Port Morant

Dear Sirs, We are in receipt of yours with enclosures & would say we are sorry you have been delayed on account of want of lumber for the Wharf house, we wrote you last week to order from Kingston as we had none but what was valuable here We know very well you must be full of Coconuts & no room we are expecting to make a heavy shipment & clean you out. We are sending you Cheque book today & Griffith expects to be with you tomorrow night

Nothing new to report

Yours truly

L D Baker

L. D. BAKER & Co
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 5 1887

Mess Baker & Co
Port Morant,

Dear Sirs, We have no Orange Boxes the size you require must send to America for them. We have a New Wagon Gear for Bowden will send it up soon as can get back Chance.

The waterlily will come up tomorrow evening & the Buggy cattles safe - last night ample to be with you tonight

L D Baker Jr

L.D.BAKER & CO.
FRUIT DEALERS.
CABLE ADDRESS "BAKER"

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 5 1887

L D Baker Esq
Wellfleet Mass

My Dear Son, I thought I'd drop you a few lines this evening while I have time. I was up to Rowden Wednesday & Thursday & came down last evening the boys seemed to be getting along very well in the office but Charles had started a rum shop up to Mrs Arnetts & Harris Norris & Jonie were good customers Dick discharged Harris & I discharged Norris & Tollie, thought to say Wilson had kept away & seemed like a gentleman.

We had Arthur James down to see us about the price of bananas he brought his letter book & all the correspondence for the past year he got them out & I told him he could put them right into his bag but he chose to read them & after he got through reading I told him it was no use seeing them was the price & he would get he could go to England as soon as he was a mind & enjoy himself all he could 7½ would be the price no more & he was doing well enough & he knew it so he

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 5 1887

Just away the Cellers change the subject & become as chatty as you please & went away hopping 5/6 ff for England next tuesday, so the price of fruit is settled,

The plantations are looking very fine & we have no storm will turn out a lot of fruit before the ending of the year Dick, one of our hin thresdays can supply good bunches the Elsa took good. The Hondo will be here Monday & they will cut. Bananas for her Saturday & Monday & expect pl about four thousand the Hondo leave midnight Monday night & midday Tuesday from Port Antonio getting both ports 10,000, we have the Celfes to follow leaving Thursday midday taking 10,000 bunches she will take most of her fruit at St Marie & Annotto Bay last week we loaded the Elsa & the Cardes but have nothing this week so it seems quite out of place for me to be a whole week without being onboard of steamer. We loaded the "Miranda" for J Hart & co two weeks ago with 25000 bunches the largest cargo that ever was loaded in this island or the largest cargo I ever heard of. The Electric came

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out & consigned to Sutherland & Bros London this week but we had to land them both wagons & cutters. The weather is very hot I expect — we will have some heavy weather (rain) now soon but every thing is growing fast as it can grow & the weeds are doing all they can. The New Chapel was dedicated on Wednesday & everybody came for & near that — of the Colored people the house was full & many outside Mr Geddes preached & now it is really a pretty Chapel I know they raised £50 the new seats will make it a fine thing hope you will be able to get the seats at a reasonable figure & you must try & beg all the money you can for it ask everybody on my account that is everybody you think knows me.

Hoping you good wishes —!

With love & kindest regards

Father

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FRUIT DEALERS.
CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER"

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 13th 1887

L D Baker Jr
Wellfleet - Mass

My Dear Son I am sorry to say the letter I wrote last friday every was laid on one side owt reason - from the office so I will open it again on a few more lines,

I went to Rowden Saturday night to meet the Hands expecting to see her the next Monday Morning as she would be out 2½ days from Bocas but no Hands came until six o'clock that Evening & then all the fruit was on the port side ready for to put the starboard side to the Wharf & the Captain turned her round head out so we had just my 25 c pass fruit one the top of the deck & I was so out of patience that I could hardly live we were Eight hours putting in twenty bunches (all night -) we arrived here the next morning at Eight o'clock & we took about 700 bunches but did not get her away before nine o'clock in the Evening the fruit came in very slow we towed the after or lot which we had never done before the just a fine cargo from here but the fruit from Bocas about 3/4 of bunches was very poor the hot weather having affected pretty

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, Ap 13 1887

dont think it could arrive in anything like good order, the weather was too hot to venture from Bocas. So we cabled Capt Freeman that it was not advisable to take fruit at Bocas for the next ship. Now no answer from Grange. But think she will without doubt cable direct here. We finished the Hondo & stopped at the office & talked with Elisha about half hour & went up to the house & laid down about eleven o'clock & at one o'clock I got up & went down to meet the Alpes on her way from Kingston to Pt Maria she did not get here until nearly daylight then we rowed about five miles to reach her we went to Cabessa took 1500 bunches then Pt Maria - took 4 loads & then to Annotto Bay took 4000 this took until night we arrived here about ten o'clock thursday forenoon & a hotter day I never saw however we rushed it in & the left at four o'clock with 17000 & what was worse Elisha & Joe over bought 1500 bunches & could not buy it which took all the money we were to make this week. Mr Baker & myself stood on the deck with bare feet until they were nearly blistered I have had a great many experiences in the

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 13th 1887

fruit trade but this beat all. But I have Bathow got rested & am all right - & yesterday we have Coble of Elsa not sailing until the 12th bring both the tallos & Boston together again with nothing to do for a week it does seem that they mean to kill us. We can make no money when we are compelled to buy ships so much in so short a time we are obliged to keep a large stock of help often we cannot buy with out more orders overrun which takes away all the profit,

There is any quantity of fruit if we could have another steamer to keep all at work steady we would not be so liable to overbuy & for the fruit would not get such heavy quantity on the peoples hands I am afraid we are going to loose a good deal of money on the Boca business it has cost so much to keep it up & so little fruit is taken, without doubt a year to come it will be a valuable place to work at in connection with Rekarout as the two will just make a good cargo

I received your welcome letter yesterday & was glad enough to hear from you that Cargo it was quite a relief to know it came out good of course the Bocas needed we expect more of Capt Atwood tolds me Capt Freeman said when asked what should be done about cutting fruit

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Port Antonio Jamaica, May 13 1881

in advance if the other steamers were due they would take away the fruit & he said well I suppose you must cut it & Capt Atwood cannot be blamed & Capt F. is wrong about Capt Fitzgerald not taking orders he is just the man to take orders

The fact of the matter Capt Freeman attempted to arrange the business so all the work would be done direct with him he gave Capt Fitzgerald a permission to buy lands to draw on him for funds & do business generally for I have it in one of Capt Freemans letters to me however it not worth talking about

Everything seems to be going along well at Rowlands I advised Dick to knock off his buyers & to have the people bring the fruit down from Nanny Hill to where the carts could get it without so much knocking about & to send no carts to Finnigville so I think they will have a lot lying for the Elsa. I notice what you say about Mr Preston & his scheme think if had more in the company like him we would do a better business I think he works as hard as I do

I notice what you say about having stuff enough to keep Father out a little you have plenty stuff as you call it in you wants a little age & experience & you will tell us what you can do You are dear good boys & I long to see you back but want you to stay a

while longer

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CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER"

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 13th 1887

Good ship there come ready for work. I am glad Mother & Mattie & Ruby are having such a nice time they have been kept down here until they hardly knew what it is to have a good time or see people. It is awfull lonesome at the great house Guess Peggy feels it.

Of the new Chapell wants the pews or benches Again must attend to getting as catalogues of prices for are waiting to hear what they will cost, so send them soon as you can make it convenient.

We have discharged nearly all of our native captains & are hawling them up sending the two copper bottoms Romp & Dotte to Port Maroant and to Iran for Dick to Kingston the other to play up with crew just ready to put crew aboard at any time.

There is a epidemic of small Pox in & about Port Antonio. Dr Allen has taken out 1/2 dozen cases & three have died and no one knows how much more there is. Dick is trying to keep the Pere people off the wharf as much as possible.

The weather is hot but seems quite healthy all over the Island there are some fevers a letter boy died right alongside of our office while I was writing last night he was a fine little fellow about ten years old worked with our black smith but there are no other cases of dangerous fever. I was much amused at Mother's letter telling how much money she had spent

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 19 1887

Peter Ing
P L Morant

Dear Sirs
We want the Romp be in Kingston Monday Morning take a load of oranges from E. A. Howden at Dessnoes Wharf & leave by 4 PM to meet Elva at P L Morant you had better send her off on Saturday five o'clock so she will be more in time

We expect her to get from fifty to seventy barrels but if she will take eighty our Howden has then we shall be glad have a full load

Yours truly
L D B & Co

You can show this much
to Capt you may rely on it
L D B & Co

L. D. BAKER & CO
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 27 1887

Potter & Co
St Marans.

Dear Sirs "Elsa" will be off the buoy at daylight Wednesday morning & you must send out the Stevedore & boats to get her. You will probably want say fifteen men besides the boatmen. Capt Burton will come with the ship.

The Agman will take all the nuts please have them re selected & put into bags ready.

Wire us length of W P Boards for the sides of the new building we can select them as they are measured from the Elsa cargo.

Yours truly
L D Baker & Co

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CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER"

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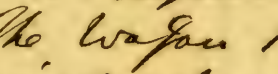
Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 23 1887

L D Baker Esq
Welcome sir

My Dear Son, Your welcome letter by the Elsa came to hand all right - I was glad to hear you were all well & that the "Elsas" trip turned out well.

I suppose they felt pretty well over it glad for them. You must not mind what Capt Freeman says you will find Mr Burnham & Preston quite different men you can talk with them as much as you like. It was mean of Wheyman to report what you told him about price, Cecil had a good all time I should judge by what he has told me place for him he looks much better. Has given me the book of plans of pews for the Chapel & I am sending it on to Mr Reynolds.

The wagon Boxes for the wheels are 1½ inches diameter at the end 9½ inches long & 1 3/8 diameter at the axel, that is



you better get - one dozen that will be enough for Port Morant as well as ourselves. I am sending you two bunches Bananas by the Elsa under the care of Capt - Anderson. Also send

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CABLE ADDRESS. "BAKER"

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 23rd 1887

Jan draft for $200 I don't want you to go short of money though we have not made much wait for all to have a good time & come home soon as you feel that you want to.

The Elva has been into St Margrets Bay Hope Bay & Orange Bay & is now going to Morant Bay, we expect to get there about 1500 bunches out of Morant about 2500 I cannot go up with her as the Alvena will be off the port in about an hour for us to Port Maria both steamers here the same day so it is all work or no work But it is too bad the nice fruit we have here our steamers to take it to the good market - there has been in America some might - make money so fast if we could have them but my time left I will do as he thinks best -

Tell Mother to have a good time & "come back soon" will write to her & to mine soon as have time

With love & kindest regards
Father

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 26th 1887

Baker & Co
St Morant,

Dear Sirs,

In reference to re-selection of nuts we would say you had better open the bags of nuts which have been the longest packed & see how they are & carefully select the nuts from Grandera,

The writer will probably be with you tomorrow night or Monday. That is if we get a boat of Aquara Guat may not come,

Rowe can go to Kingston soon as the Cuido has cargo of oranges say Monday morning

Yours truly
L D Baker & Co

L.D. BAKER & CO
FRUIT DEALERS.
CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER"

I did not think till Capt Anderson about the Bananas he was to take for you to Port Royal Jamaica, Yokohama, Pekin 188

L D Baker Esq
c/o John L Hopkins
Boston Mass

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My Dear Son, The Alguan arrived Monday evening at 5 o'clock & we took in about 1000 bgs nuts & 227 Bls oranges & worked as usual all night. We then went Annotto Bay took 4000 bunches Bananas & will take about 1000 here & about 80 Bls oranges & get away say at one o'clock. We did not take any fruit at St Marys for we thought to give St Ellas a fair next week as Capt Forwood has been selling pleasure to us. The St Marys fruit runs a large proportion 2nd class, while Annotto & St Marian are giving us splendid fruit large bunches. However the St Ms fruit is nice & clean. There is any amount of small Bs there. Port Mi-or Pera so much so the Doctor has made a hospital there & will not remain. All the Pera old Bay people are put in quarantine. It will either be better or worse in a short time so long as it is as bad as it is now it is not advisable for you to come home.

Recd the papers you sent & the letters & papers. My made no stir of them

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FRUIT DEALERS.
CHICAGO, ILL.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 2d 1887

Mess Baker & Co
Pt Morant

Dear Sirs, We expect the Andes will call on Tuesday evening & we will require 50 good bunches of Bananas. She must leave Jam by 10 o'clock Tuesday evening. The price to the large growers James & others will be 7/6 & 5/6 per 100 please note by cable.

The price at the wharf of fruit small growers same as it was last week. Eight-hand bunches as second class & no seven hand bunches unless they are large as the eights. The writer will probably be with you on Monday

Yours truly
L D Baker & Co

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BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Aurora S.S. Co. at
Annotto Bay

Port Morant, Jamaica, Sept 8 *1887*

Dear Mr Jo
Wolfert Roos

My Dear Son I intended writing you a long letter by the ship is ready for sea so usual we have been so busy as we could be we collected Bowden took 3300 bunches Banana then to St Maria took 4000 & now here we take about 5000 more Everything seems to be moving along about as usual there is plenty of nice fruit we only want the steamers to come for it.

I am going across to Kingston with Cyrus Forwood My health is good but I want to see you all very much & hope you are having a good time & that you will soon come home Will write you more by next steamer

With love & kisses to you

Father

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FRUIT DEALERS.
CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER"

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Sept 15th 1887

To Boston
Respect
Mass

My Dear Son I am in receipt of your welcome letter 4 mos by the Elsa & I was glad to hear from you & know Capt Freeman had given you the money. I notice what you say of him & all we can do is to place it to his ignorance I think he has acted unworthy of your respect but you are young & I believe wise enough to let such shallowness slip by unnoticed, If he had done as he ought to have done put on more steamers to carry fruits come plentiful by 1st June he would no complaint again owing him money Boston Fruit Co would have made $20000 more easily but instead he has been growling over the loss of the Freeman last winter & "Hondo's" cargo in June this year I have written him a strong letter on the point & think it will wake him up, Although we owe them some money we stand better to day than we ever did since we have been in the business & with the blessing of the Good Master the season to come will be one of plenty.

Everything we have got is in first class order & we only wait for business start again,

I notice what you say about Mr Burnham & think your answer to him very good He is

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CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER"

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 1887

a business man in every sense of the word & in my opinion far excels Capt F. They have written that they will come out on the Elsa that is Capt F & Mr B in that case there will not be room for you & the family but Capt Jackman says if they want to come I will make room that meaning you & Mother & Children so when the cases just can see, or you had better see Capt Freeman first, & see if he & Mr B are coming on the Elsa that time or if they mean the trip following anyway be all ready to come by her. I suppose you will want about $200 more & here enclose an order for same.

The Elsa will call at Pt Morant take 500 from Rogers 500 Frances & 500 from Mellefont & the others will remain over until the Houda comes & she will take half her cargo that.

My dear old horse "Cream" died yesterday with consumption & almost broke my heart all the other animals are in good order.

It is one great pleasure to know you have had a pleasant time & will soon be with me I think you can revise the works at Brooklyn so we can run with very little expense the next six months, God bless you my noble boy & return you to me in his own good time

Father

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Jan 16th *1887*

Mr
P. Morand
Dear Sirs,
We expect to be with you with the Elsa about 4 o'clock tomorrow morning will want about 250 Bags nuts & 1500 Bananas will wire you tomorrow,
Capt Anderson is afraid Stevedores will not work
Yours truly
L D Baker

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Sept 24th 1887

Messrs
Baker & Co
Pt Morant

Dear Sirs, We duly received your telegram trying the Honduras arrivals for us to send letters for Capt Freeman which we have done also asking if Nuts were for Boston or New York

We immediately answered nuts shipped Crowell Philadelphia through freight. Yours final Clearance will be Pt Antonio Wednesday morning Senior coming tomorrow, It is our intention for the Ship to go to Orocabessa Pt Morant unmoored by a large buoy & clear from Pt a last hurt possible. She may sail at Pt Morant early in which case she will count to leave Bowden Early Monday Morning. Have horses at Manchioneal

Yours

L. D. Baker

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Sept 30 1887

Messrs Baker & Co
Pt Morant

Dear Sirs We are in receipt of yours & would say The Elsa left at noon on the 29th She is coming to Pt Morant will have 20 ft W.P. Boards for you this is the best we can do for you can you not take up the floor of the wharf house & put down the NC boards that is if you cannot wait for the Elsa, We expect Allen will take most of her Bananas at your port — but waiting orders from Cape Foxwood before giving any definite order, Please advise Mr Sullivan to spend all money on cultivation & let other things go until later, We are lost to know where all the silver has gone, we thought having a whole week you would be able to gather up enough before the Saturday comes There does not seem to be any here & we dont know where it is

Yours truly L D Baker

Mr Moriarty Neighbour

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Oct 3d 1887

Potter & Co

St Mary

Dear Sir, Sunday Cheque Book Cheques 3C 06852 to 06869

We are sorry indeed that we did not order the silver but we understand by James that you will not want it or will be able to get what you require when you get the Cheques. Have ordered Bags from Kingston & the Revenue

The Puppy Hornies we are sorry, until we can get ours repaired

Yours truly

L D Baker & Co

Write will be up tomorrow night.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Oct-14 1887

L D Baker Jr
Pt Morant

My dear Sir Your welcome letter to hand I enclose note to answer Noyes if you think best you can send it to him if you anything different would be better keep it until I arrive tomorrow I shall come up on the tender, I am greatly troubled with my back today suppose the damp weather coming down yesterday must have given the cold in it

Notify all your people that we expect to buy fruit Tuesdays & Wednesdays but no word will be given positively until the ship arrives the price on the wharf will be 16 per bunch & ten per cent culls hand bunches fruit must be free of bruises. We are sending Dotti to take Sanfillerno's Pappy & Taylors Coconuts

Fine house the office Kingston
Wed
Tues

L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Oct 22d 1887

L D Baker Jr
Pt Morant

My Dear Son, We send you scantling & ceiling by the cutter we also send a few nails I think they are what will be required for that light-ceiling as it is too thin for any heavy nail though I can hardly tell until we begin to put it on. Fran is hoping to be able to come up to-night but I am not very well, & the ride is so long for a night-ride that I think it best to remain here!! am at present have got plenty work here too, I've have advanced Bolt 20.20.15 making £65 in all. She is sending your cutter load of nuts shortly. If there is anything left of him we will stand it on this end. Bolt says his accounts are not right. I have told him to go to Rowden & have it made right. The Flamborough is loading & will be off to-night-

Mr Hart stops here & Mr Bell is
here so we are in the midst of
Enemies all the time they are
crying out fruit must be lower
the Canvas pay the price
we expect the Elsa will be here
by wednesday & will then come to
Pt Morant & then on to Milk River
dont think she will take any fruit
at Pt Morant but expect the
Elsa will take fruit there the
week following Capt Freeman
has bought for 100 cocoanuts 1500
oranges 7000 Bananas, & hope you
will be able to get in a good quantity
of fruit though at this present time
there are a great many buying units
& probably Mayes has an order to
buy a large amount so you will
be obliged to send out your runners
in every direction, Eugene says that
the fruit Rifers says was rejected was
the blowdown fruit not fit for anything
you cannot tell much about that
fellow anyhow the probabilities
are that we will loose James work

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Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, ... 188

next season but then it will be quite as well to lose it as to pay more than it is worth I have no fear of the business at present, Joshua had better stop with you at present even as I find work for him will send for him to come down

I see no reason why Mowlie cannot go on with the ceiling if I am not there, the finishing up of the eaves & the border of the wall is the most particular part I will be there by that time hope when there comes another rain I shall be there to see what leaks there are, am sending up the water tank by the Elsa

With love & kindest regards

Father

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Oct 21st 1887

Lorenzo D Baker Esq
Pt Morant

My Dear Son

I have been up so much in the night that I can hardly think what I want to write

The Aggpace went out this morning at 8½ o'clock everything went low but she got a very fine cargo,

I am going up to go to bed,

Father

Just received your telegram in reference to forwarding the Wharfage & have answered that we would accept we will not make much at Morant Bay but P. M. & P. Antonio must make it up

hold Cause of Convenience

every Father

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Oct-24 1887

L D Baker Esq
Pl Marano

My Dear Sir I received
letter to hand of 8th hasten
to say you are quite right
in going on with the
ceiling & carpenter work
Dott is good fellow
to look after it
will have the Tarpaulins
made & place the Piano
into a safe place
Have sent Harrison
Cheque for £100 to day
Get on & do the work as you
can
With love & kindest regards
from Betty
L D Baker

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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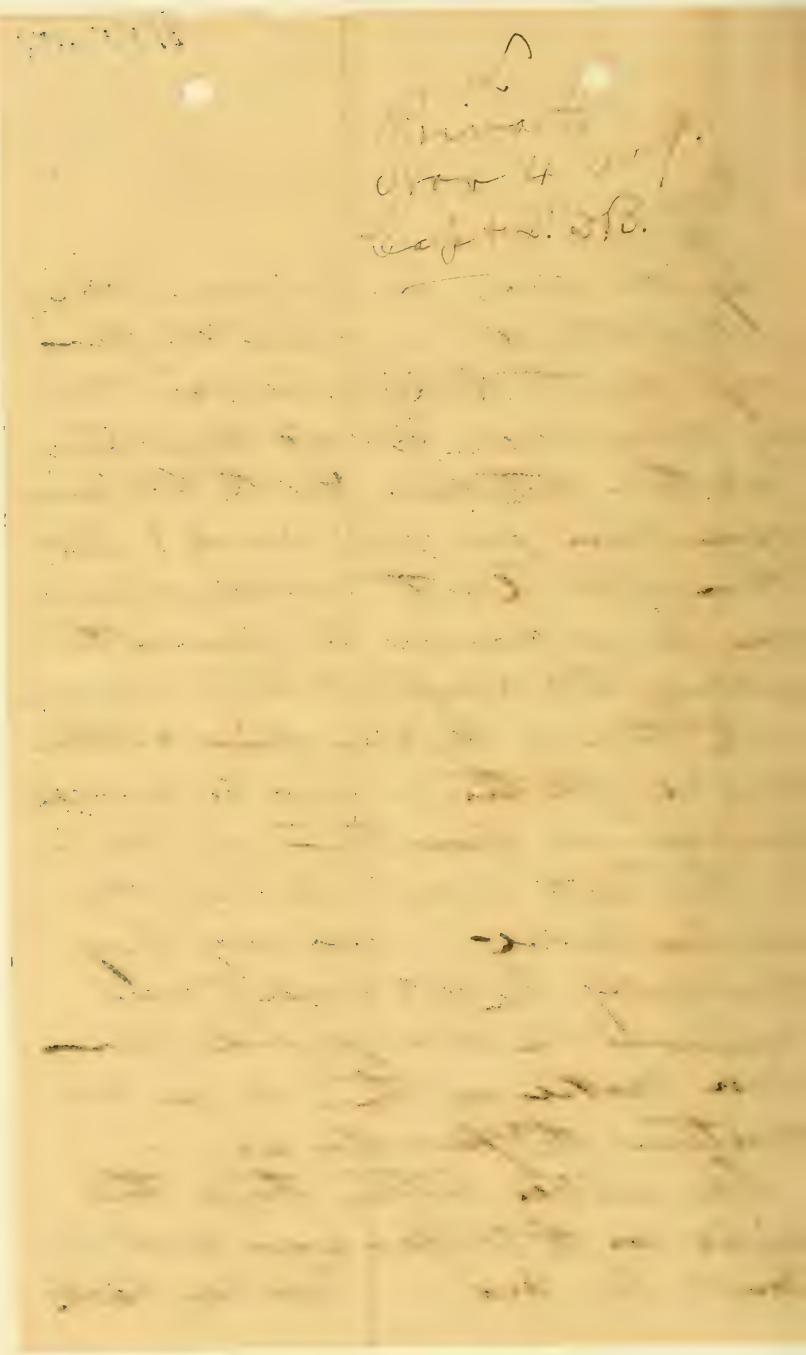
Port Antonio, Jamaica, Nov 4 1887

L D Baker Esq
Ft Morand,

My Dear Sir, Your welcome letter of yesterday to hand we notice that you say about the Logwood war I answer say when rogues fall out honest men get their just dues, get the best price you can for your wood! sell them fight it out, Enclosed I send you Grays answer in reference to selling Darling & Ford nuts — we don't want them if they can find a better market, after this we will be careful how we order from them my opinion is that nuts will be low on the American market — so you may buy carefully the nuts bought of you runners are always good so you can make out them so you better continue the purchase.

I am a little better though the night on the Celtes was most too much for me, You can pack



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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Nov 4 188 7

a few oranges for the Fotheraugh if you wish don't think she will come for your nuts,

according to our letters the next ship from Boston will be the Cyprian 29th on acct of repairs the Hondo will be laid off Williams & Rankin write they have not yet concluded to engage labourers for the Canal but will write next post;

Sutherland has 15000 nuts that he wants to sell think they are from Rogers we tell him we are not buying this week, don't buy any more of Rogers, sending up some letters they by order tomorrow

Yours respectfully Father

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Nov 7 1887

My Dear Son

I am in receipt of yours I would say think they have made you good offer for the wood all that you can expect — The wood at the Bay I have promised to Stanford & do not sell that little you hear of from us but any other wood that has not been cut you can sell You can see what is on Water side if you wish you should encourage Crawford so long as it is policy you can act — your own pleasure about taking notes from Noyes if they are his own cultivation I should say yes but if to buy NO for his fruit I don't see how you can do unless for him when you cannot dispose of all of our own

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It is just as well that you did not buy any oranges this week. Arthur Flourbarrow will come for nuts but cannot tell until tomorrow on his arrival. Get the seeds if there is room in his vol will put them in

Love & kindest regards

Father

L. W. Baker

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,
Port Antonio, Jamaica, Nov 9th 1887

L D Baker Esq
Pt Morand

My Dear Son I am in receipt of yours notice what you have said to Mr Noyes & think you have acted wisely you will probably have no more trouble with him & we can do as much for him as our interests will allow & I think there will be more than anyone else will do

We changed our mind about loading the Hamburgh after hours duly considered Capt Freemans letter which say he will be here to arrive in Boston Saturday forenoon before noon as the Apple crop comes the week following & in order to get the fruit out in the country & customers all supplied should have the fruit to go on the cars the people to know what they can depend on Saturday every since we wired you this morning

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 188

for 40 or bunches of the Ship to call at Morant Bay Friday afternoon or Friday night. P.S. - Morant fruit to be full 5 25 ft. large stem hands & have wired the orange people to have all their fruit ready to ship Thursday night - from Kingston. Still they may be able to keep her over until Friday noon in that case she cannot reach Mt Bay before towards night.

The steamer will have 13 stevedores onboard from this place will probably want about ten more from you, be wired no nuts but we may have room for some though it will not be many will bring you some cocoanut bags the others may take some nuts if they should we would want them put into new bags if possible

We want every attention paid to the selection of this cargo that can be

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 1887

I have made up my mind that I will not go to Boston on this ship but wait further developments I am much better to day think in a few days this trouble will over, I shall come round on the "Elvira" see her off I shall write you today to send Buggy to Kingston for repairs to get the other Buggy I will be there to talk with Wales & Co about it.

Under another cover I send you Mavscany letter when in Kingston he asked me if you would not like to get your life insured I think he thinks every young man should be it takes him I would speak to you when you come to Kingston you could call on him

The proportion

In speaking of seven hand bunches would say we mean for every two full bunches supplied

L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, Nov 9th 1887

Jas will take 25 seven hand bunches at the same time the eight hand bunches must be counted as half bunches unless exceptionally large the Alla will not take seven hand bunches at all it is really the best we ought to do

We got about 400 of Rogers blow down fruit last trip Aguan and all rotted before the arrival causing the P Marano fruit to look bad they should look out that it does not happen again.

Mr Bolt will send about 1200 Bunches Bananas to Bowden have them put in separate place Bolt will come to see it shortly

With kindest regards

Father

Private

L. D. Baker
Manchester Nov 13
Nov 13. 1879

L. D. Baker
Re Morant

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Respected Sir, I called to see Mr Delow enquired of him if he had been anything that looked anything like Mothers Coal Seine. He said nothing of that kind had been sent here. Also talked with him about tongued & grooved flooring he said 7/8 of inch was what he had & that they always put it down single for ordinary work but that the joist should not be more than 18 inches apart & it was cautioning of the case that they did not put them more than 16 inch. So you may put them down single & you

16 to 18 inches for the joist.

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The buggy has not come yet — it is now three o'clock. I have told Bell about his account & told him to see Mrs Phillips immediately.

The boat that was here (Klein) got no nuts from Gray & then Bell sent her immediately to Br. Antonio Gray is collecting boys & will have some ready Wednesday but I doubt if he intends to give us any more until the dull times when he cannot sell them to any one else he will not want them then. Tell Wood to secret nail the flooring & be very particular about it; will send some more flooring & some corn soon as cutter can come.

Love & kind regards
Father

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Nov 18th 1887

L D Baker Esq
Pt Marion

My Dear Sam I duly received your welcome letter of the 15th with memo of Carl Jean enclosed & have put it onto uncle Walter he will send them to the Showers & they will find them onboard the W & R Mariners & they will get round by an about six weeks. I am off for Pt Marie this morning I got left yesterday where was a pure they for Chelsea an awful time loading down there all the boat went ashore nine of them on the surf at one time the surf boats drove up high while the sail boats parted pretty hard I shall leave the day Saturday either or the day Sunday by Mr Walsons buggy will not be up to see you before middle of the week. We are sending you more patterns both flooring & ceiling left for wood has written asking what we will do wharfage landing on same & fruit home written down letters do contract. Thus the letters & memos so please out with us they want say some one else & think they had better. I look now this quite would come to stay over until the next season, very steady all the fruit units shear Cars Would see extension on

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Nov 18 1887

price tell the people we will take 50 % green banana bunches next time if they are fully clean,

Call on all the people & tell them the dull time will soon be over & that we have a good spring season before us advise them to plant all they can James will probably make arrangements in Liverpool to dispose of his fruit so it will be no use to make any extra offers to Rogers tell him fruit business though at present dull will probably have the usual demand the coming season,

I shall make extra effort to take away all the small fruit just as soon as possible to encourage them early in the season if Capt Freeman was here I should be off with him in search of a steamer to take the fruit (small fruit)

With Love & Wishes respa

Yours

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Nov 25 1887

L D Baker Esq
Port Maria

My Dear Sir Yours received I will see Mr Kennedy about the payment of Piano, will send silver & the order notice what you say of Wales bill probably he will send it here, We want you to collect say fifteen or twenty men for the Survey have them ready next Friday morning we are collecting about thirty here & they are supposed to be with you Thursday night & stay all night & be ready on the morning to go out when the ship arrives I think it is a nice chance for the men as they will be supplied with food tents & have medical aid & will be supposed to do axe & cutlass work & attend to the mules & horses of the company & do everything that would be required on a survey

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Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 188

our men from Rocadel Port arrived here today they all report having had a good time & turn right-round Ship top on the Survey any moneys to be paid to the families while away will be paid by us. We dont want old men nor lame nor sick men I will not be able to come up of the Orden tomorrow morning but will come by buggy at night- pass send the Buggy & horses to Manchioneal to be there tomorrow every six oclock there is no depending on telegraph business, Stanford is here I may Charter her to take nuts

We are in Correspondence about bags from Kingston & will get them to you soon as possible

Love & kindest Regards
Father

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Kingston

Dec 1st 1847

Lt J. Baker USN
Pt Marant

My Dear Lou I was much disappointed when I arrived here to learn that the Illinois would not be here until Friday I thought I would come right back but then I wanted to see Capt Freeman here I did not get round in time to ship the cement I am down boat but shipped it by the Early Bird have sent ten pounds home by the Mail Coach will send balance by Early Bird, I have seen Mr Mercaux he says he thinks that if you take out a policy on the Endowment plan to be paid back to you at age of 40 it will be best, amount say $5-00 I hope I would like you to fill up one of the forms before Dr Maylard send it soon as possible this week. I cannot see how I can get round to Pt as you will have a busy day tomorrow if the Hondo arrives. Have not seen Ford will see him before he leaves

I am getting some more Reps to come up by the Early Bird. Get as many nuts ready as possible for the Ephan Hondo

With Love & Kiss Respects

I went Pt Pleasant, General Superintendent Telegraph to Director Public Works talked with them about work at our office I think we will have different work at our office

You will have as or better for Pt Pleasant

Lord Elgin
Pal Morant

S.S. Aquan Dec 8th 1859

Kingston
Jamaica

My Dear Jane I received your letter all right - but as there was so many around me & all of us have to talk with them I could not write you or Kate or Harry do anything else as I have been off two nights. We got a fine lot of good bunches & the party gave a fine time seemed to enjoy it & was only sorry that they could not stay longer.

I notice what you say of the "Hounds" am sorry to say the tools very are best men & those left are not worth anything we have got to get rid of a entire new set of men for our wharf & boats. I notice what you say about Doctor Hagans & the duplicates of the parts, you write you sent, I have from the Superintendent of the Canal Co I did not see it suppose it will be sent forward of the Athos so it is just as well.

Price of Bananas your letter came up say 10/- on the next lot of fruit making to James & the say Six pounds a fine ten for Macaroni & tall thin large stemed hand bunches as halves but nothing but the best of the seven & should be well - while the weather is so cold. I suppose James will be displeased with the prices which we have paid since let his fruit go to anyone else but never mind no one is going to do any better if him there we can

she will learn it sooner perhaps if he is in another direction but if he continues with us I believe he will be satisfied in the end of the year that is when July comes he will draw more from some other sorts so it will be just as well

Hold on little money as possible on the properties while I am away for I can go on with the carpentering at the house first as Mother wishes to have my the floor in the ~~dining~~ Cook room & in the little room, I have written Arthur James to be nice perhaps not trouble you much Do the best you can for Mr Noyes so long as he is with us see him well Look after the telegraph wires keep all the branches off them what can Miss Mytton wants try to do for her she will be of great value to us if we can only keep her there, Thus they have come up here to the mines at the rate of 10 to 1 & I think she will make a good person I have talked with Cap Freeman & Nicholson & let them I want the Marondes & they shall get her for Cyrus Anderson & things will come about my own way in the mines, Hope this will find things going on pleasantly & you all in good health were any cash buy Loving Father

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Honduras & Central American S. S. Co.

WILLIAMS & RANKINE, Managers,
19 WHITEHALL STREET.
CABLE ADDRESS:
"RANWILL."
TELEPHONE CALL: "269 PEARL."

New York, Dec 27th 1887

L. S. Potter Jr
Pt Morant
Jamaica

My Dear Son I know you will be pleased to hear we had a nice passage home & the Bonanos came out in fine order & paid a fair profit which of course adds greatly to the pleasure of Papa Freemans trip. We all enjoyed themselves as having had the most enjoyable time we ever had. I shall come out on the Honduras on the 14th & probably be landed at Pt Morant thus I may go on to Kingston yet & my putting some freight on the nice Cake on you & land me.

The Prospect is most encouraging for another season soon as February comes in we will have Cake for all of our small fruit so long as it can be put aboard perfectly clean I have seen more of the importance of having fruit clean than ever before as the last of the lemons was loaded at the outports & more or less bruised out reams that a bunch of clean fruit will sell for nearly twice as much as the bruised fruit. Therefore use every possible precaution to keep the fruit clean & those that bring fruit bruised don't take it they must learn to do better. Just can hold

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New York, 1887

out the most encouraging prospect to the people I shall arrange for a fourteen day steamer to call at Marant Bay & take their fruit & then bringing it up to P. Marant shall then be able to pay them a better price for the fruit Clean Coconuts you can begin purchasing all the clean good nuts that are offered for sale at the wharf & take from the properties all that they must send but we will not be in want of nuts before the 15th January then I want to make preparations for a schooner load to leave my 1st Feb of you too

We cannot look for much advance in the price of Bananas before the 1st Feb though you will be obliged to advance my 10/0 on shipment on St Nylane James & other regular customers Encourage Noyes all you they least must leave the principle business with you as far as in that & I know you will act with due consideration.

Enclosed I send you invoice of 13/12 of letter things which I have bought the Office lamps & Chimneys did not get here in time & I have crossed them out on the B/Lading & left off Cargo It was intended for this ship to call at Jamaica but as they have

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New York, 188

little or no Cargo & only Dick as passenger
I told Mr Williams not to bother with it so
the goods must go the roundabout voyage
& be landed at P/Ne on her return.

There is nothing further of importance that
I can detect you. Will write you more
fully about the prospects of "J" & the next
steamer.

With Love & Kindest regards
Father

I have written this a little hurried on the ac-
-ce of the Cyprian not calling Jamaica & not
having been notified in time

Private Letter
L. R. Baker
New York
Oct 22, 1897

CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

Philadelphia, Dec 28th 1887

L D Bolton Esq
Port Morant Jm

My Dear Sir Since last writing I have examined some of your cocoanuts in the market & find though they are the best in the market yet there are points which should be carefully noticed by you, at first the JA' are very good but they seem to be more "Sheeps noses" & white colored "seaside" nuts than usual, this comes probably from their being pulled too young & then again the price has been against you being able to get nuts carefully cured for when the price is high & the demand good people will pull when nuts are green. However I believe you will be able remedy that in a measure by asking those that you can controle to allow their nuts to cure on the tree & become dry husk before they pull. The light color seems to come from the free husk, you know we often see nuts picked perfectly green but they shake well. This nut will come to market apparently in good order but it looks color & when broken the milk has but little taste & if the dealer keeps it a little long the meat becomes soft-leathery or spongy & there is no strength to the flavor of it. The DT nut suffers from the same trouble but rife enough needs a little more care in selection & the light colored nuts of over or large shouldn't be put into the brand of DT for they want but a few for some fancy grocer & they must be good of

CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

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Philadelphia, Dec 28th 1887

a nice red color & scraped clean leaves the
Ist in fact the greatest difficulty with the
nuts of any discription seems to be the color.
You had better take all the sprouted nuts as
2d class not reject them at all, & try to induce
Watson Taylor & Noyes & the Doctor & every
one to keep the nuts as long as they can be
kept - which seems to be the only way to insure
good color. Price for the past year with
price has been excessively high there has
been no money in the business on this end.
You must bring the price down to even $20 for
Ja.s & $21 Wts, & 22 for the Dks & half price for
the small nuts & I would add you had better have
the small nuts rough then smooth so when
the girls come to a small nut that will go through
the mola let them throw them in. I dont think
it will be advisable for you to employ runners
in the purchase of nuts let them come to the wharf
unless the runners can purchase at a commission
of half rate commonly paid, we will want nuts
in January but they must be good as there is no
brought to the market - & Mr Crowell has on hand
all the nuts since 1st of November they were
bought at high rates & he must unload them first
when the market begins to move, so we dont
want to be obliged take nuts before the 1st of March
therefore you make preparations to store the nuts
in bulk in bins but if you could have some holes

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COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

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Philadelphia, Dec 28th 187

in the floor of the Coal room the air can
draw up through & keep them cool, it seems
I made be a good idea to lay the floor of the new
rooms with wide cracks & use that for nuts
(whatever does you think best) I cannot see
where you will have much competition in nuts
this spring though probably the price will become
so low as to be in trouble you for a month or two. Darling you
I dont suppose Mr Harrison cares about selling
us the nuts if he does you cannot give him more
than 60/0 for the delivered to our boat, we paid two
dollars more than we ought to through the summer
to have them in the fall & he cruelly sold them
away from us when we could have made a
little on them & made up the loss, so from
the very position of Darling food I dont see
that we will ever be able to make anything out of
it, as it is open to everyone if we cannot have
them all the time we dont want them unless bought
at our own figures

The Market is full of nuts & it will be some time
before it will be free again,

Bananas The price has been the best this
winter that ever known it up to this time weather has
been mild & the rivers are open in fact there has
been no real cold weather,

Richard is coming down on the Kenilworth
& will be with you to see you all the news
we expect the Amos steamer tomorrow & will

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COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
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Philadelphia, Dec 28th 1887

probably have a word from you. I have been spending my Christmas with Mr Crowell & his family & learning all can of the nut business.

I have been thinking of sending Richard to Annapolis & Commyssesson instead of Marous Ray, what do you think of it, we want a good man at Annapolis can you get along without him at Marous Ray if I have you get to take his place, Elisha from the suggestion of sending him there at present we have no one that we can rely on in shipping fruit off the beach. However if you want him can look up someone else. Will write a few more with love & Merry Xmas

Father

Private Letter
L. D. Baker
Philadelphia
Dec 28. 1889.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 30 Dec 1887

Messrs Baker & Co.
Portmorant

Dear Sirs,

Your favor of 22 not at hand and noted
Capt T. wants us to
furnish fruit next week
for £7 — counting eights
as 3/4 price this is
about same as £7-10-0
and doubling the eights
we would advise that
you buy the fruit same
as last time and take
the eights for halves
except a few large
ones which you can
take as whales we
will see what Mr K
takes for 3/4 price
If he takes all the

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

B & Co

Port Antonio, Jamaica 30 Dec 1887

light for 3/4 price it will pay us to buy from the people that way but if we buy now at that rate he may want to double a portion that we pay 3/4 price for, you may have some trouble with the people about price but if so you can make your quantity smaller and let us know in time — you can tell the people that as soon as Captain Baker gets back from america the price will be all right

We think Capt F — should have allowed us £7-10-0 and 3/4 price for

e 28. 1889.

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L. D. BAKER,

Fruit Dealers,

B & Co.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 30 dec 1887

Friends but as Jamy is a hard month me know to take it quietly when Fally comes in prices will be better

me enclose credit note for David Ball do you understand he has more nut in hand still,

me have large lot of Lilies me can spare and when you send for Miss Metcalf me will send you £100 for next weeks buying

Yours truly

L D Baker & Co

This month only if you don't make more money in the 3 days means you will be ashamed

Mr Mills means if up to demand

Private Letter

HONDURAS &
CENTRAL AMERICA
S. S. CO.
— FOR —
BELIZE, LIVINGSTON, PUERTO CORTEZ and TRUXILLO, RUATAN, GREYTOWN, BOCA-DEL-TORO, and JAMAICA.

J. H. FREEMAN, Boston Agent.

Office of J. H. Freeman,

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BOSTON FRUIT COMPANY,
HEAD OF LONG WHARF, SOUTH SIDE,
Importers of Boca-Del-Toro and Jamaica Bananas, Oranges, Cocoanuts, etc.
Cable Address, "BANANA."

Boston, Dec 2 1888

L. T. Potter Esq
Port Morant Jamaica,

My Dear Sir I duly received your favor of Oct 5th
glad to hear you were getting along so well & that
you were all well I received the oranges &
Miss Metcalfe little Brother came for the
one sent her father & are sending the box
to Prof. Waldeis for Doll sorry they failed not
none reached them in time for Christmas but
they did not send them over from New York
until we sent for them & then they arrived in
very good order. Sorry to hear that you only bought
so many Bananas but such things often happen
& probably will in future. The probabilities
are that Capt Farwood wants to carry on with
those parties who furnish us fruit with an
object to make some direct arrangements
with them I wish I had been there with you
to answer though whatever the answer may
be we it will make but little difference
I should have told him it was just your
fruit business which we wish to keep
to ourselves I am glad to hear the fruit
is coming as we are at present by a trifle

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no one will disturb us as ~~Bitter~~ directed 188
I have written Noyes & enclose it to you
for your inspection you can give it to him
or not as you think best — James is trying
hard to make a contract with the fellows to
the effect that I have that we will not consent
to drayage it or ship it for them. We now
furnish drayage for 2000 at expense for them
if we keep on we would have no cars to do
our own work, I think now the best thing
James can do is to continue with us as we
have given more money than any other house or
firm in Jamaica However if will scatter the
or cure any of us we will then have a chance to
help all the outside growers if he goes back on
us. Elisha spoke to me about Richard
but it all depends on what pay we want as
Marant Bay it seems that as he was already
acquainted with Marant Bay & the people
it would be better for him to continue,
I think what Jan say of Belfast I will
be a good place for any of us to stay for
a Change

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Boston, Nov 2d 1888

Cocoanuts

I should have written or spoken to you more definitely about Darling & Co I wrote you that we would not require any more from him & ought to have written Harrison they want us to pay a high price for them all the time & seemed to think we did them a favor when they gave us a chance to work them out & when they gave us something on them we don't want them but you have been taking up them & we will continue that but write them we will be wanted until the 10th Feb then they must keep them until they are proper dry they have been sending us white nuts we want dark nuts it is no use to buy anything else.

You had better ride out & see Holloway tell them what you want that the nuts the Carmelite hooked on no good, the 50 the you are sending on Hondo will come out all right but I am looking for a schooner the freight by steam is too high

I think Mr Kennedy acted out of order not to take the fruit seven hand bunches I hope you will give the Hondo a good report!

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Boston, Nov 2d 1885

so long as they are fresh clean & full bottom come, the great murderer of fruit will soon be worked off & we will then be glad to get the small fruit, I hope we will have no more heavy winds to injure us that we will have our properties paying this coming season for it has been a hard pull don't they we could stand another like it, we will probably have only one vessel a week from Boston the L & R steamers & the Nitro & one other it has not been decided what one,

The Atlas people are very anxious for to know if they are to be supplied with fruit by us & we are equally as anxious to know what their intentions are for the future they are not going to have our fruit spoil as a drift soon as there is fruit enough so they can run their own business

will write more by the steamer sails

with love & kindest regards
yours
J H Freeman

Private Letter
C. D. Baker
Boston
Jany 2. 1866.

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Boston, Jan 14th 1888

L 51 Baker W —
Port Morant Jamaica,

My Dear Sir, I am in receipt of your welcome letter of the 4 inst & am glad to hear from you & know you are all well & that you are getting along smoothly in business. I notice what you say about forward cutting the price down to 7½ & of Kennedys doubling up the left-hand bunches it seems they always watch the time when I am away to impose on you. Elisha but their time will soon be over. I do not intend to leave here until I have made arrangements to take care of all our fruit on side of the Atlas if need be & if the Atlas want us to assist them we will do so but we are not going to be dependant on them. I have made an arrangement to have one Boston ship every week through the year to November & then probably two a month & I now have in contemplation two steamers for Philadelphia to go into service about the 1st June or as soon as we find there is going to be sufficient fruit to run them

Hondo

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Boston Jan 14th 1885

without any detention. So I think we will be provided for far better than the last season,

I notice what you say of the Eight hand bunches & would say you had better make those eight hands that are small & mean double, but what is good & full must be taken as whole bunches & the mean hands take all the good full ones, & all the good ripes that are grown are the property & must leave the matter to your discretion I know you will do what is right - yet I must caution you against thin fruit, I notice Mr James has returned I dont think there is any use for us to fell any lies about his fruit if he leaves it to us. I shall try hard to do what is right & if we had been dealing with any other company but the Atlas we could have done much better than we have this season. Also notice what you say of Marant Bay & think Dick the best man for the place. Capt Alvarez is coming and I perhaps if Clarke has real made up his mind for Dick to go to Marollos Bay he will do equally as well though I think Dick having the experience he

Hondo

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Boston, Jan 14 1885

should stop at Marout Bay.

I am glad to learn of Mr Brice's removal & think he has done truly a cause to rejoice, am sorry he keeps your News Letter so late other she lost the fruit it was nothing more than what I have been afraid of & was in hopes he would get away without making us any heavy loss. Glad to learn that Phillipsburg is looking nice that Doctor Nagle is looking well I will get the Store the Dr wants for a few days till Dr that I saw John Tenny yesterday & he enquires for him says when the Baker gets running he is coming out to see him,

Cocoanuts There is no more in the market here we can hardly get what they cost landed here there will probably be no movement until the 1st of Feb till then be able to take good quantities,

I shall not be able to come down on the "Hondo" as anticipated as I am waiting for papers from Elisha so I can complete the arrangements with the Boston Fruit Co which we are about to enter into this arrangement will make us much stronger & relieve me of much anxiety & enable us to do a much larger business in the future & it is a matter of great importance

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Importers of Boca-Del-Toro and Jamaica Bananas, Oranges, Cocoanuts, etc.

Cable Address, "BANANA."

Boston 1885

So I cannot leave until I feel that it is all right. My health is very good the best I ever had it in the winter I have been very careful.

There is nothing new of importance, all the things you have ordered will come out of the Baltic I only wish I was coming now however I shall hurry them up & get underway with a good business soon as possible

With love & hundred regards
Father

Will write more fully
N York next week

Private Letter

C. D. Baker

Boston

Jany 14. 1888.

WILLIAMS & RANKINE,
Ship Brokers & Steamship Agents.
CABLE ADDRESS:
"RANWILL," NEW YORK.
11 Hemble Building, Whitehall St.

New York, June 16th 1888

L D Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Lou:

Since writing Mr Williams has changed his mind & the Hondo will call at Port Morant Antonio to intercept the Organ & fruit Co's machinery on her. I have shipped you 55 Bgs Corn & 1000 lbs sold wire & 1000 of twist-wire 25 Bbl Flour. I shall try to start off the Baker about the 1st Feb & may come on her but if she does not come as early as that I will come on the next Atlas.

We are to have a meeting of the Fruit Co to morrow to determine how much money to raise for next season & thus our people need have no fears we will be in much better circumstances to do for them this year to come.

The W & R steamers will call at Morant Bay every fourteen days & the Atlas at Port Morant every fourteen days & the two other steamers will work between them making a weekly service. Mr James need not tell any Bananas to go on the Atlas unless he wants to. I shall do everything I can to warrant the proper disposal of our people's fruit their interests are ours we are not in Port Morant for a day but for a lifetime

Honduras & Central American S. S. Co.

WILLIAMS & RANKINE, Managers,
19 WHITEHALL STREET.
CABLE ADDRESS:
"RANWILL."
TELEPHONE CALL: "269 PEARL."

New York, Jan 16 1885

that you may choose to keep as there,

We are dropping out Boca del Toro & will give Jamaica all the time of the W & R this & anything well be done to insure a steady regular service, & this matter of small fruit I am working on & think the season to come well give a new opening for it.

The box of ironwork for wheels & spanners will be landed at P. & you can send for it.

There's nothing you can do to advance business much but get the roads & wagons in order

With love & kindest regards
Father

Private Letter
L. O. Baker
New York
Jany 16, 1888

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Boston, Jan 17 1888

L D Rider Esq
Pt Morant

My Dear Sam, I have written Mr Small at Westward that Joshua would come down with Mr Watson to look over the property to take charge of it when I come also to Mr Watson that he is to write Joshua where he wants him to come. I want Joshua to write down all he can learn of the property the way it has been worked & then he with Mr Small all the time he is on the property that he may thoroughly know it Mr Watson will advise him in fact he will be under Mr Watsons supervision more or less I do not think he will remain a long time on the property for I have another plan in view for him but he may be there for say six months to come I think there are horses on the property & I dont know of anything more there has clothing that will be required Mr Watson will direct about his livery, & I leave it to you of course have anything else for him that be glad to keep him at home however we can charge him off at any time & put someone else there of which we will talk with you when we meet

Love & kindest regards to Mrs

(will write later)

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

Boston

Jany. 17, 1888

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Boston, Feb 1st 1888

J. P. Wilson Jr
Pat Marano Jr

My Dear Sons Your welcome letters of the 19th & 20th duly to hand I was pleased to hear you were getting along so well & that you were all well. That Capt Forwood has not eaten you up. I will attend to the matter when I get there you can tell all your people that we are making special provision for them the reason to come & will be better able to attend to their wants, I thought the last time I wrote I should be on the way home & this time but now must wait until the Cyprian on the 4th & the Cyprian must go to Kingston & will want the supply — I want you to come with it for I want to know all that Capt Forwood has been doing before I talk with him I have chartered a vessel for cocoanuts which will be at Pat Marano's about the 20th

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Cable Address, "BANANA."

Boston, Feb 1 1888

The Rubber will take 200 ~~the~~ that will pretty well clean your ap You can buy along carefully & be sure to get the nuts well cured or dry or get them at a low figure. It has been awfuly cold but warmer to day It looks now that we will have a good market for the Apples Cargo

With Love & Kind regards
L. D. Baton

Private L

L. W. B

Boston

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CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

Philadelphia, Feb 7th 1888

L. D. Batte Esq
Port Mariand
Jamaica

My Dear Sir I am sorry that I have disappointed you in coming but I have some important business yet to close though everything is going on well I duly received your note what you say in reference to Capt Forwood & Arthur James & their trying to induce the growers to sell their fruit to them it is all right let them go on we will get all we want & within a reasonible price & our people will be used as well as anyone,

When Capt Forwood makes anything out of Arthur James he is welcome to it - if we can get along through March & April we dont want any of his fruit

I have been trying hard to get

Office Adjutant General, Feb. 5 1864

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CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

Philadelphia, ... "18"

Capt Freeman to send off the "Baker" early day 15th Feb but he thought it too early but today I have word from him that he is saying she must go Saturday or Monday next — I wired him to send her Saturday 11th if she means to be with you Saturday she will probably come direct to Pa. Morant will have about 20 M W P Shipper & some flooring W P boards & some cheap boards for sugar heading & you can ship what nuts you have and her shipping half of each grade to Phila & half to Boston. The Schr W R Chester sailed yesterday. She will be with you for nuts about the about the 1st March.

With Kindest regards

Yours

(will write more by the Baker)

CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

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Philadelphia, Feb 7 1888

Letter

Please have the nuts carefully selected every thing questionable throw out & put in 100 lbs the oldest you have, let the fresh nuts go in the schooner probably I shall be there before the ship to you.

L D B

You will be able to go up a little on the price as you can clear by 2 pounds per 100

Invite Letter

L. D. Baker

Philadelphia

Feby 7, 1866

Boston Feb 10 1885

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Lt Butler M.
Fort Monroe

My Dear Son It is now more than likely that I shall come out on the Butter "if not on the Albro" for I shall want to meet you in Washington before talking with Capt Forwood I shall want to know what he has said with Lord Wardcastle

Respects

Father

Private Letter

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

Boston

Feby 10. 1888.

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Boston, Feb 14 1888

L D Potter Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Sir

I am sorry it is so I cannot come this time but I hope soon to be able to come

Elisha will direct you about putting nuts on the Boston I have written him he better take most of the nuts at Port Antonio & will have but few to take when she leaves as your port will be the last port - you have a good selection even if you are obliged to reselect after bunging them Jamaica The people I want Capt Lindsay to stay with you until the Cyprian returns & he will assist you in anything you may require

With Loads Thanks & regards
Yours

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
Boston

Feby 14. 1888

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Boston, Feb 15th 1885

L. D. Baker Esq
Port Maria Jamaica

My Dear Dow The Baker went off in such a hurry after I found out I was not going that I had but little time to write or think so now I will give you a letter,

I notice what you say about James still continuing to make offers to the people but the letter to my bro has been misarrangement made by Capt Forwood they say they have cabled to find out but I think probably he is holding out inducements to James until I come however it will make no difference we will do the best we can for them, I notice what you say about Coconut shows written quite fully and I herewith enclose Charter party of Schr W. R. Chester which probably be with you by the time this reaches you also Charter party of Schr George F Edmonds they will take say 225 ~~th~~ cost Edmonds will be with you about the 20th March you can buy all you can of good nice nuts at 7 to 8 shillings on the wharf, The ~~Wanda~~ Agnes Corje come out in fine order & the people feel encouraged they are afraid the good quality will not hold out I tell them the people in Jamaica are afraid the then will

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Boston, Feb 15th 1888

not be market for it.

We intend to give you a steamer a week leaving Wednesday night as I have written before but we have not got the fourth steamer.

I have sent you 25 Bbl flour 50 Bgs corn one large wagon but I have written Pollchutons they can take what they may require of it, we have sent out good Bgs for nuts so if you want any you can get them from there, I cannot tell when I shall get through here but it look now that it will be a week more shall then come on the first ship from any port.

I had a lot of little presents I sent some of them by the Hondo some by the Baker & those some here cannot tell what I have sent as I bought them from time to time.

With love & kindest regards
Father

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

Boston

Feby 15 - 1888

Enclosing Charter Parties of Schs "W. R. Chester" & "Geo F. Edmunds"

Charters Charter Party Sent Port Antonio March 21. 1888.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 7 Feby 1888

Dear Sir,

Yours of 16th not to hand and noted, Taylor Foster probably stopped at Lucea to try the market then Tarpelsbay Tom went and asked us about nuts but we answered we did not want them,

It is much better for us to deal direct with the Caymans people ~~dead~~ we have bought from the Lucea people but it caused us to pay a commission and send our boat for them, There was a vessel called here some two weeks ago the J. R. Ocean Flower and we paid her 86/- per M selected the captain said they would cost him that landed here, thought afterwards I may have

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Dear Sir Port Antonio, Jamaica, 17 May 1888

said rather high,

We will not have another multaneous before last of next week so when paying the Captain please arrange that cheques are not presented before about Saturday next week, if he goes back to No Bay to pass them it will no doubt use up that time,

I am father made Mr. Nelson he wanted Joshua to go to Rattmanie with him and get appointed with the business there, if he is on the Baker he will speak about it and if he is not. Joshua had better go down as it is a good time now to start, not being too busy he will have a chance to work in gradually

Enclosing Chart

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

LDB dr Port Antonio, Jamaica, 17 Feby 1888

You can hardly imagine how much fruit our good customers have this way spoiling at Hope Bay and Fairy and other places at same we have not caught for 4 & 6 weeks ~~and~~ & how your customers are spoiling your way?

With kind regards
Sincerely
L D Baker & Co

E. B. Hopkins

Feby 17, 1881.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 7 May 1888

Messrs Baker & Co
Portmouth

Dear Sirs,

Our charge to atlas Co on expent fruit is 30/ freight from Spring Garden here and 8/4 extra for Stevadorage, the latter charge we will credit you 9c soon as we get a/c of the fruit that arrived late, you should check it same as the other, we will also credit you 4/2 per 100 on the Manchioneel fruit this is what we ~~allow~~ charge on Dam,

What ~~do~~ will you charge James for Stevadorage if he has a contract? we suppose same as we do Expent, we suppose the increased

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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B. Ed

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 7 Feby 1888

Bill £14- 4- 0 is for your honors, if some will settle for it here. Kindly say.

Yours faithfully
L D Baker & Co

Enclosing Charter

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica 9 Mch 1888

Messrs Baker Co
Portmouth

Dear Sirs,

Land fowr of 1st inst at hand and noted.

We got a cable this morning that Lewis sailed yesterday on "Alps" from New York he will therefore be due in Kingston 8th or 9th inst - we think it would be a good plan to tell Jones Evans that Lewis was due then and that he would have full instructions as to rates &c and ask them to keep freight for his arrival. That is if you think it is feasible to tell them that, The "Aquan" is a full week late and will probably arrive Kingston 11th leave there monday night

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

B Co

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 2 mch 1888

arrivals By Tuesday and leave Island Wednesday — fruit is plenty large and cheap then and as it is settled now that Stanford has contracted to load altos ships and they will not call here it is very necessary ships should go there to show people that they can depend on us — as it is Stanford is so strong that we will have a hard fight — The "Baker" will be back week commencing 18th and she can take every dwal you can buy at Morant Bay and Port Morant — we would like a quan very much to take in a couple ports where we have had to neglect the people as there will be a great fight this Spring and this

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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B & Co

Port Antonio, Jamaica, March 188 8

will be about the last buying before the fight — of course if Senin should not agree that this would be the best plan it would be all right. —

All right about flannel — will send cheque book —

We are not using flour the trouble being very one wants to trust it but we can sell it at wholesale at trifle over cost, so mind for you to send the flour by boat, will send corn and nails — our iron has not yet arrived from England so cannot supply the order you better order from Kingston — we send you list of what we have ordered and when it arrives will be glad to send

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

B & Co

Port Antonio, Jamaica, March 188 8

you what you want —

We will be sending to Port Morant for nuts Monday and Tuesday 5th & 6th. and if he is here either of those days he can go down in a cutter,

Please send Bill of Dry Christaline when the boats were sent to Port antonio. & enclose bill of Paints and whites, with regard

Truly yours
L D Baker & Co

Private Letter
P. A. P.

Private Letter
E. B. Hoffmis
March 2 1888
from E. B. H.

L.D.BAKER & CO.
FRUIT DEALERS.
CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER"

Port Antonio, Jamaica, March 13 1888

L D Baker Jr
Port Maroure,

My Dear Son, I see by your telegrams yesterday that the Atlas Co are inclined to be a little liberal in their prices your price seems to have been far below their prices of course you can tele but little what they will do but let them go ahead while they lead the way we need not fear to follow There will of course be a great deal of speculation among the Boston buyers & it will be quite difficult to tele just what to pay. You better not pay the large growers until I come.

I shall go ~~down~~ to sail the Bright Eyes on Friday & I may want the horses to Kingston will bring you all the silver you may require I intended you to take some of the silver onboard the Aquan but neglected to telegraph you, I wired you this morning put 100 ~~th~~ nuts on Chester send her here & prepare to half husked nuts for the Baker you need not dispatch her unless you hear from me as we may want to change the program however if she has left before you get this it will be all right - I think the Baker will require say about 20 ~~th~~ smooth ~~S~~ fifty rough nuts

March 13 1865

My Dear Mrs.

When you, dear, by your telegram intimated that Mr Stiles & you would be a little tickled at the notion you have for below Mary Davis & Bonner you saw the last little while that we did not let Mary go home while the last storm was near enough for to follow. Mrs Wood & Bonner is a great deal of speculation among the women because it will be quite difficult to see just what to do. Mrs Lincoln was from the large women's meeting & Bonner.

Father is anxious to see the Inquirer on Sunday & I think he leaves to-morrow morning. Mr Sanderson is to take home all the letters you have written & the Officer endorsed the letter that indicates the telegraph for, I guess for this morning. Just now Mr Hunt on Orchard Street is here & I have the Hunter matter up for the Public. You never was disappointed in minds for the Genius may or may not to Mary the Professor however the last letter before you go. This I think is all right. Think the Public will be some for about 20 to-morrow

L.D. BAKER & CO.
FRUIT DEALERS.
CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER"

Port Antonio, Jamaica, March 14th 1888

Capt Forward has answered my letter & goes on a long story says he wants the agency changed to Marshalleck at Mt Bay which of course we have no objection,

I am glad to say we have found everything moving along smoothly & everyone glad to see me

With kindest regards
Father

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
Fort Antonio
March 13. 1888.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, March 12 1888

L D Baker Esq
Port

Dear Sir The Cyprian will not arrive until night tomorrow it seems from your telegram
Now we want to arrange to load Bananas & Sugar both at same time from Capt Anderson then, how you will be able to do it tomorrow I be ready for her when she arrives
Mr Evans has 20 Hds Sugar which he wants to ship too we will try take it all in
With kindest regards
Yours

Private Letter

C. D. Baker

Phantoms

March 12. 1888.

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L.S.U. Port Antonio
Port Morant

My Dear Don We send Eugene to assist you in loading the steamer if you load both Major & Romanos you will need hands, I want to take the Major this time if possible & then it can be kept for each ship Mr Davis says he has Major at Morant Bay now & Hondo can come in then & take it the sometime take Romanos Jim Cons tell Davis that steamer be there fourteen days hence There is nothing

New here seems to
be plenty Bananas
here so you had better
not run over your
quantity of food if
you can help it

All the sugar must
go into the lower
hold & the hatches
tarpolined down
to keep the steam
out

Kindest regards
Father

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Mar 26 1885

L D Baker Esq
Pt Morant
My dear Son I think it would be best to send the Puppy back as it would be difficult to get used more or less & left here

I am going down on the Baltic tonight - of course loading here we have overbought - about 1000 bunches & I shall try to put them on her, The Chester did not cater my with the port we hear today that she is in Port Maria & that she is to dull to be able to work up here so we will have to carry the nuts down to her in cutters, I will probably be with you next Saturday night -

With love & kindest regards Father

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Benoit Pabbe
C.D. Bohn
Pittsburgh
March 20 1877

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, March 23 1886

L D Baker Jr
Pt Morant

My Dear Son, I may not be able to come up to see you tomorrow night for I might to go to Port Maria there seems to be no chance for me when I go down with the steamers the time is so short.

We expect you will want to purchase about 20 000 from Nassau bunches for the Hounds have written Solomons & Berchenkein & to that we want the steamer Port Morant Bay about Midday to take in the sugar we suppose the Hounds will be on time at Kingston or we would have had a contrary cable. Therefore you may give out word to your people will leave the matter of price to your discretion the price last week at Pt Maria was £7 10/ to £8 10/ the price here is £7 10/ the price coming Bay £ 9 10/. Neil Freeman is on the Hounds & we have written him to hurry her up. We found the W R Chester at Pt Maria & have sent down the balance of cargo by lighters, says

expose it under pretence of
laudably the Heinous of
you load both upon

not run over jam
quantity of 4000

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, March 23 1885

Yes: vessel will not work to the windward we think. The Edwards will get here load & cast off sooner before she gets to Philadelphia. Please send a cutter to Kingston to Howden with 500 Box shooks for oranges when she is through with her Bananas next week.

The Baker took 16500 Bananas & 70 Bbl oranges & Pines & the nuts you put on her. This is the first time she has been loaded with Bananas

Sending cutter with same letter Mrs to night

With love & kindest regards
Father

Private letter
E. O. Baker
Pd.
March 21 1866

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, March 24 1885

L D Baker Esq
Port Morant
My Dear Son

We send you by the "Herald" 8 Cases. The Brass lamp with white shade is meant for your office but if you think it is required up to the house I will get another also send same back & c. &c for Mother & the Children,

In buying Bananas next week we have not calculated on your getting more than 2000 however if you should get three thousand it will not be too much, I have wired Coleman & Leschenhem & c that you had 80 Hands Men & women require ten hours to take it in suppose they will report it to Mell Freeman & then they will put things through quick as possible

Now for buying of Bananas you

by Sir Francis of you think best
keep along about as others do-
ing don't buy their fruit.

The Charter arrived at Pensacola
& we was obliged to send down a
part of her cargo & charge 4/6
for the freight on cutters
the Captain refused to pay or
sign an endorsement for the amount
saying he was acting according
to his charter party so I write
you to insist to us to pay for it
she will lay until it comes.
I shall probably go down there
Monday afternoon It has
been raining all the time since
twelve o'clock which is making it
novel for Barrows

Both kindest regards
Father

P.S. Hear from
us then & write
the Flowers in
Sept. & as or
was the answer

Boston Sept.
P. S. Jackson
Aug. 24, 1848

Boston Aug. 24, 1848
Boston Sept.

Boulder the Flowers of
Iron Clad bottle Oyster
Quantity of Flowers

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, March 26 188 6

L D Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Son We have wired the Hondu
leave Kingston this evening & we suppose
she will be with you tonight or
daylight in the morning we have
wired you put up lights We thought
it best to have her with you early
if possible so you could get all the
sugar onboard before beginning Panama.

We have seen heres sugar from
Burlington to Groaboard from
here please leave room even if
you shut out a little from
your lot - We want her to leave
She will be sure to be Port Morant all day
wednesday morning Hondu you lost
boat from Morant Bay not be
in time send her direct - to P/A

I shall bring Joshua up with me from
P Morant the up saturday morning
Have been to Golden Vale to day everything

Yours
Yours respectfully
Will Hand respectfully
Allendale
Southern

Brooke Letter
L. S. Baker
Port Antonio
Mch 26. 1844.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, March 30 1885

L D Baker Esq
St Marys

My Dear Sir your welcome letter of yesterday came to hand our answer would say we think there must have been quite a close fear on the Atlas steamer from what you say we have not seen Kennedy but we know her Esperanza was laying off for wood & that he was going to meet a warm reception at Annotto Bay He came aboard the Florida at Orange Bay & was as peaceful as any one I have seen for sometime

As you are not particular about leaving next week, think it would be as well to put it off until the next week The Standard arrived too late for the schooner

Joshua & myself will be up on the Arden tomorrow

With Love & kindest regards
Yours

Private letter

F. L. Baker
Port Antonio
March 30. 1864.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 2d 188 8

L D Baker Esq
Pri Mount

My Dear Son Since arriving here we have concluded to load the three steamers this week & wires June to begin buying & buy down to Thursday evening. We think the Samana or the Cyprian will be with you tomorrow yet. Samana has not arrived so we are going easy until we see her but expect the holidays are bothering her in Hayti.

The Baker left Saturday night right on her time

There is nothing more of importance

Love Kindest regards

Father

Private Letter

Lt. Col. J. Baker
Tobantown
April 7, 1865

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 4 1888

L D Baker Esq
Ft Mason

My Dear Sir Your welcome letter of yesterday came to hand this night in reference to Harrison don't know how much you owe him would say give him a cheque for 100 & on the 20 a cheque for what is due him & last of the week a cheque for Cultivation.

The Samoan came in this morning with holds in a most horrible mess we have been at work building decks & shifting coal with as many men as could work the ship now gone to Orange Bay we expect her to come tomorrow at ten o'clock for Jam port & we suppose you will get her away same time in the evening about

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, ... 188

Thursday. I will be able to leave
upon Sun. make a careful
selection of your fruit & invoice
it to Cts putting all the Eggs
into the space & then close & charge
55 cts at the seven 85 & sixes
1/2 first class any good
fine hand bunches there may
be an ill property you can
put them in.

We are coming rather short
of fruit so wires you to
cut the plantation fruit.

Must leave Bolt at your
mercy do what you please with
him we dont want green
nuts. Joshua can come
down & the Arches & you
to Port Maria & be

Ill miss Mitchell & I am
arranging comfortable quarters
for her friends & the Baker

Yours [illegible]

Private Letter

T. D. Baker

Pub. interior

April 4 1861.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 13th 1888

L D Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Sir I am in receipt of yours of yesterday notice what you say about the Cayenne Pineapples and sorry indeed if there is any question about those on board as we have sent so many poor lots this season however I will write Mr Crowell she will know all about it & will look after them, We had a most unfortunate experience with our oranges & Pines the Maud is bad luck, we did not know what they cost so when you the Pines cost 7/6 for dozen we suppose they cost about that much,

Would like to have sold the oranges, but if they come here we will repack & send off some to New Orleans by the Olivi, Notice what you say about having good sizes I think you will get clear of mortality then, I was particularly anxious

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 13th 1886

Mr Hogsdam should go away satisfied as next winter he will come back or the parties will send some one.

See in your last letter you asked if you could draw cheque in favor of Wolcott & Co suppose you have done so.

The Olerie left New Orleans tuesday night we expect her here tuesday morning. You may begin buying fruit tuesday the Hondo will probably be with you Thursday night.

Will send your weekly letter tomorrow

With Love & Kindest regards

Father

Private Letter

Capt L. R. Baker
Fed Antonio

April 13. 1850

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 18th 1888

L D Baker Jr
Pres Morant

My Dear Son Your welcomed letter of yesterday to hand it would say we cannot let the Hondo call for the 20 Jgs at Morant Bay as that would greatly put her out of time

Solomon Fletcher has just wired us that she would leave at 1 30 so we have written you,

We notice what you say about George Gray & the nuts you can write him we do not require any at present,

When you want us to get a new set of springs for Dr Aylard that Jam will have about 3000 bananas if you should come short of that amount can make up here, Obre did not come so we are short of tonnage as we had laid out for three steamers

Low & Hundert - Nuts
Fletcher

Private letter

E. D. Baker

Portland

April 15. 1862

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 9/1888

L D Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Son

I will not be able to come up this week as we have the Syrian to load today & have been up for the past three nights,

I do not think you better by Bananas next week but if you think it very important that you should you can wire us there seems to be plenty of fruit this side

We have kept the Arran some time more than we ought to so I suppose she will be in great hurry you can help them with the cutters if they need it at Morant Bay.

With Love & kindest regards
Father

Private letter

Capt. E. R. Baker

April 21, 1888

Not authenticated

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 23 1888

L D Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Sir I am in receipt of yours of Saturday's date & notice you wish to buy a few Bananas this week as James is buying & thought it best to send the Steamer there & wired you this evening that Steamer would come for nuts We will not require more than 2000 bunches of Bananas There seems to be plenty of fruit everywhere & there is no need of forcing the business to get a high price I have written James that we dont see why we should lend him our lighters if he is going into the fruit buying he had better buy his own appliances. We have no freight room for Cocoanuts but him why then & the cellar as we used to I notice you have written James that you dont require any more Cocoanuts which is

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Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 23 188 8

quite right - we have written Mr Harrison that in our opinion Mr Gray will sell out the crop to the first better offer & that we want that point settled first. If we don't buy this summer & cooper we will be in better position to pay a high price next fall.

You seemed to have wired us for one cutter sent direct to the Bay today you ask why she is going there probably sandstone.

Glad you got good large 50 tons coal from the "Dalsford".

We had a very hard week's work & was up most of the time for three nights & days the Tyrian went away with 24000 odd & the Hondo 19000 odd we got through at Annotto Bay just before daylight Sunday morning & we landed her about eight o'clock.

I did not feel so tired as I have felt with half the work.

With kindest regards Father

Private Letter

E. D. Baker

Adventures

April 23. 1888.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 23 apr 1888

Messrs Baker & Co
Port Morant

Dear Sir,

Yours favor of 21st ab hand and noted, we enclose herewith Stanford's wharfage Bill £4. 18. 3½ — we trust you have been able to make account of the loaned wood straight —

Besides the logwood loaned me owe mr Stanford about £150 which we have to pay in Logwood and senior mishes you would purchase the wood and deliver to Stanford to settle the account soon as convenient — but dont deliver too much as he claims pay for a Lighter which we will not pay for and we want to

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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B & Co

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 23 apr 1888

settle the a/c near as possible without overpaying it -
as this a/c has been standing for over a year we would like to close it -
We have thousands crocked nuts here which we cannot sell and I think you better send your cocoanut grater to us for use - if you dont need it and we can order another for you,
With best wishes
I am truly
L D Baker & Co

We think we wrote you that Donaldson Calthorpe & Co say we owe them nothing.
We enclose Bills & you send us he owes us £30 besides the amount he owes you -

Private Letter

L. D. Baker & Co

April 23. 1844.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fr[illegible] Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 25 1888

~~Baker~~
Lo Roberts
Per Macaroni

My Dear Sir Your welcome favor of yesterday to hand & noted, 100 Silver Cavendish & Leaves

Samana not yet arrived we are anxious to see her fruit all ready the Doran is to the leeward taking fruit well at be up here before daylight tomorrow I am expecting her about ten o'clock. Think I shall come up with her that if Samana arrives tonight she fruit cannot come. I suppose Harrison will think I have that we don't take his Coloanuts but we have 500 the on hand now & we are shipping every week, they are not worth more than 5/6 close selection & on the whole don't pay more ~~but Harrison supposes~~ he thought we were coming

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 25 1885

Short of fruit at one time that the Eleanors would be ready to sail to Eng.- but find neither of ready of fruit coming slow & so we will be all right, we expect you will have from 2000 to 2500 of that you will have 80 to 90 bags nuts she will probably take say 600 or 700 bags as we hope put some into her here,

We have a big steamer coming Moodie by the name of Kong Alf they say she is a fine shaper- she is our opposition but Mr. Hart's steamer will get away with a fine cargo ahead of her

With love & kindest regards
Father

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
Port Antonio
April 25. 1888.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 26 1885

L D Baker Jr
Port Maraud

My Dear Son I am sorry I cannot come up with this ship but as it is so rough our fruit is out port and must stay right here until the is loaded You will just in what Bananas you have & as many nuts & get her away at daylight - tomorrow morn you may be able to put on 60 etc & you may get in 90 etc but dont let the Coconuts keep her back then so she can get out by daylight as much sooner as you can Will wire you to put nuts on boats as you can work nuts & bananas together

Kindest regards
Father

Private Letter
L. D. Baker
Port Antonio
April 25. 1885.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 27 1888

L D Baker Esq
Port Maria

My Dear Sir We have just received advices of sailing of the "Dorain" this morning & of your putting on board bunches of Bananas

We think you must have had different news to have found such a large amount We put on soon more than we need to the Summer went away so & that we supposed we had more Cummin from the out ports it was very rough & the boats had a hard time getting when they did, We suppose Mr Baker will be here tomorrow night & then she will be with you Wednesday night will we require over 4000 bunches from both of you unless the little Steamer from Glasgow (Egan) arrives will be up tomorrow am if possible

Law & Tame regards — Father

Permit Letter

L. C. Baker
Port Antonio
~~Jamaica~~ +
April 27. 1888

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 27 1885

Mess Baker & Co
Morant Bay

Dear Sirs We have received your letter to notice what you say about Mr Jackson's advice & would say you may make complaint to the Parochial Board as advised

You can purchase fruit Monday & Tuesday Mr Baker will probably be Pr Morant Wednesday every we do not require a great quantity & we wish you to use every possible care to have the fruit in good order

Clean No Juice & in hand bunches

Yours truly
L D Baker

Fourth Letter

L. D. Baker
Port Antonio
& Bro. C. M. & Bay
April 27. 1887

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 2d 1886

Loven & Porter
Pt Morant

My Dear Sow

I think it will be advisable for you to give the planters twelve pounds per 100 bunches for the month of May & select carefully & then to wrap their fruit send it to you full & clean if they do that it will be worth that much more to us, the small people hardly think it will be worth while to make much change but will let you do as you think best

The Baker is getting a fine cargo & will be off tonight.

I told you to take 150 silver but Mr Davis says you have only taken 100 pounds according to his acct

With love & kindest regards

Yours
Fletcher

P.S.
You can send Harrison a cheque of £100 pounds this will about square his account. Hoyt's are well it

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

Port Antonio

May 2. 1888.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

B Teo

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 2 May 1888

stated the £5-5-0 is small amount and we only object on the score of our thinking it to be much out of the way to charge us.

In your of 1st May you mention charge £44.10.0 D C Co — we find Bank charges us an acceptance £44.10.0 given them and we have no account of it, we think you received the bill and Senior sent the acceptance from Port-Morant and that no copy was sent us — this has caused us bother in our Bank &c — With kind regards and best wishes

Sincerely
L D Baker Co

Patent Letter

vs.

L. R. Ballard & Co.

May 21 1860.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 4 188 6

L D Baker Esq
P/ Morant
My Dear Sam yours to hand
notice Harrison coming to
Thursday They will all come
to after they buy James a while
use common shoe blacking with
shoe brush makes good marking
ink a little spirits turpentine
if too thick.
Write Spalding tell him
you are going to report him
to the Collector Genl you may
want a letter large on Barrick
Continue pay same price 7/6 for
property nuts.
Expect Cyprian Gp Tuesday
for Inga will want all your
lighters to lighter sugar
Friday night.
Love should never
Walter

Private Letter

E. D. Baker

Ala.

May 4. 1864.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 16th 1888

L D Baker Esq
Pt Morant

My Dear Sir I am in receipt of yours but not time to answer this post therefore suppose you will invoice the Cargo of Aguacates what you think will be fair if it is not just right we can make a note & alter it to the invoice Glad to learn you are getting good quantity of fruit & speaks well for coming seasons hope it is good fruit you must be keen on the selection we have had no trouble in getting what fruit we wanted & Cuba have got more than given away at our & clock with 19 5-5-0 on a fine Cargo it was The Aguacate Cargo is all out first - at present weather so bad cannot work

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 10 1885

routs with any degree of dispatch. We tried to reach you with telegrams to day but no use.

We suppose the steamer will reach Jacksonville about tomorrow morning. Thus you will have an all day job on her. That the vessel reach us about midnight. That she will not get away before morning Saturday night.

We sent you telegram to send charge 200 to Solomons & Hirshheim & Co also that we clear for 200 5100 5350 but up to this time we clear they have not obtained the office.

The Jones sent to Mt Bay was ordered by Elasha for diet. I herewith enclose copy of the order

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 12 1888

It is now two days since I began this letter Monday & Mr Wolbert & I had the afternoon blow off Port about three the Morning I suppose the has gone to the Leeward that the will not get away from here before Wednesday. We will have two ships next week Tamaroa & Dorian we are not expecting anything from you. It has rained incessantly almost since Tuesday night but have lost one or four boats & bunches with Corpa on the reef. We have not been able to get to Golden Vale for number days.

I am expecting Joshua & Moodie by the Steamer don't know when I shall be able to come to see you Love & kindest regards

Father

Since writing the morning
the Train has arrived &
we may wait to learn her
next movements & then
tell we will wire you
to buy for her & get her
out of the way as the
Indians will be here the
week following
Will give you all news
by telegram if the Chief gets
his order Lorain not
arranged yet —

Father

Mrs. Ida Lewis
Care of Mr. Lewis
Newport
R.I.

B1 F6 35.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Saturday afternoon

Gentlemen,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 12 1888

The Arran has just arrived safe to have had a rainy time.

We will not require fruit next week as the Erin will want over until week following. The Aspan does not come up from St Maria yet & Joshua & Moodie we keep with us for a while until can get passage of boat.

Sea very rough two boats Manchioneal cannot yet get out cannot yet fruit Orange Bay or Golden Vale must have a quantity left outside.

Aspan just in sight coming of Ship Island. The Arran has been out & towed off the Handcart her bottom is all out. The Arran has some Arnotto bags & Corg on board we was full of fruit & could not take it you must take care of it.

Yours &c Anderson-Jefferies

Walker

Private Letter

Lt Baker

Rta.

May 12. 1888.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 14th 1888

L D Baker Esq
Re Morand
My Dear Son The Aquan did not get away from here until Sabbath Sunday morning it rained & storm & we had take fruit out of the cutters & shift ship & "&" "&"
we lost one man overboard alongside the ship the cook of the ship it seemed as though we would never get clear of her she has all sorts of a cargo & has some ripe & some thin enough to go to Europe & she left 15 behind that could not be got & I was glad when she was out of sight. I am glad Mr Williams was aboard had good chance to talk to him don't think she will be late again

I look now that we will have a troublesome time to get fruit this week for both steamers & we may send to cut a few from the properties cannot tell until hear from the outports

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 4th 1888

Will then were Jan,
Enclosed I send B/L & return
from Boston says they wants
Consuls Invoice I cannot but
think they have the Invoice for
it would seem there would be
no Cost - they you would forget,
however enclose it to the Boston
Fruit Co, the Bright Eyes must
go to Kingston to the race & she
will need her bottom planks
or keel leaded or support it
better be done at your place
though if we had her here we
could do it better of course have
three good men you can send
her down, the Lamona due
tomorrow will have some corn
if you want, Don't suppose will
be able come up before Friday
or Saturday

Yours Truly & thanks & regards
J. A. Baker

Private letter

E. D. Baker
M.G.
May 14, 1862

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 15th 1888

L D Baker Esq
Rowden
My Dear Son

I send to you this our Wolfs Nigger boy as the horses have rested please send them on to Kingston, We sent your cheque book to the Post office had it registered there before this team started but it would hardly been safe to have sent it by him for we dont know when he reaches there, I wrote you last night - that you might cut 2000 bunches you may cut 3000 if you wish

Hell run any here I fear cannot very slow

With Love & Thanks respects
Father

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

St Antonio

May 1st, 1861

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 16 1885

L D Baker Esq
Port Maraant

My Dear Son

We have contradicted our telegrams so many times that I hardly know what you will do however our last was for you to cut & we would send steamer the Erin will come for the fruit of no other but all the fruit at Maraant Bay should be ready Thursday night - we are almost washed away & have no silver at all we have some by the Arrow & you can have £100 if you wish

With Love & kindest regards from Father

L D Baker

Private letter

L. D. Baker
Port Antonio
Nov 16. 1878.

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Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 18 1888

My Dear Son

The Samana is very early for you & we hope she will reach you all right.

You may invoice your fruit same as the last.

Procure some fine bunches of dry Cocoanuts say about fifteen see that they dont get handled rough or broken off also get some finest branches to put in the hatchway get some jack fruit if possible

We are sending two boats to help you at Morant Bay after you have finished with them ask Capt Walker of the Arrow to tow them round. If he does not like it it will make no difference we will send cutters for them

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Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, ... 188 8

I may come up Saturday night if I can get business arranged here Joshua Betterday came down with me Monday morning

You can arrange to buy fruit down to Wednesday night - next week

With Love & kindest regards from Father L D Baker

Private letter

L. D. Baker

Fort Dalton

May 16. 1777.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 18th 1888

L D Baker Jr
Pt Morant

My Dear Son, We have had a fine day today & the we will get the Morion away at six o'clock tonight with about two hundred Bunches Bananas. We hope you will be able to fill the Samana they said they wrote her filled. We will have the Baker the Erin & Scandinavian next week, will be sure all the fruit you will be able to get. probably the Baker will come to land about Wednesday evening or the "Erin" Thursday evening. Cannot tell yet. Am writing you this afternoon to call on Purser of Arran for $100 Silver.

Will send paint from Bright Eyes by Cutler tomorrow with one & Sundeathrepairs.

Private Letter
L. D. Barber
pd
May 1st. 1864.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 19th 1888

J. D. Baker &
Pat Naraud

by Dear sirs we duly rec'd your telegram
saying the Samana sailed ten o'clock
with 24 & 7 Bananas but you did
not say what description of fruit
so we did not cable yesterday please write
about it – We cabled the arrival on what
time she would sail so it does not
make so much difference we also
cabled to advise Charterers ship
Marmora Shore answer to day the
they had chartered to would sail
to load week after the "Haudo"
this is a Eleven Knot Steamer about
size of the Ventnors on first class
vessel than B letters made she
is nearly as large as the "Baker"
The Garland comes with
wood please use them in getting
up Bananas & earn Mr Ray as
you will need both boats
would the fruit not ready
when the Steamer arrives

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Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 19th 1888

want her to leave for wednesday night Midnight - it will be the Erin, want all the Mango Plums you can get - & some nice bunches of Cocoanuts about a dozen if you can get for sample two or three of those Coolie Melons (Musk Melons) do so they will be quite a curiosity send them to Mr Crowell

The Rotha will leave from here about Midnight -,

We have no Copper fruit for the Bristol Eyes O'Brian will come up Monday night - & Mr Nairn with him & they will block lead her bottom & go down with her Wednesday Joshua can stop & go down with them or you & Joshua can go soon as the steamer is out of the way, of course I cannot go,

See Mr Sandamore wants to know what - he is to do I expect - a

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 19th 1886

Mon like him to take charge of a property for cultivation of Bananas Pines & other fruits, not in any hurry to engage anyone as but little can be done now before august,

Sir & Lady Bonner now arrived with 99 Scantlings of every discription

The Edmonds arrive in Philadelphia after a passage of 20 days the Charter was about 18 days so it is not always the shortest - the makes the best passage, I think Mr Harts business is going along smoothly & that they are making a little money he has chartered another steamer the old "Scandonavian" so our fleet is increasing just see what money we have in harts business is we gain name for your interest as I wrote Mr Crowell from the first - While he has the advising I do not fear & I have written when Mr Hart tries to get along with his advice we are out There seems to

D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,
Port Antonio, Jamaica. 188

Received your letter by the Mexico & will attend to matter for you & write you

The Merchants Bank has decided to have their fruit from you

We have some trouble with the Fraser & the New York people the "McGregor" has come or was to come out to Michael Solomons & Co We had an inventory load half of her but it seems they started to buy & sol world that the Radcliffe broken down or there was some delay about her machinery The Kong Alfs is here she has been beating about the Island for a week. Hardly has four bunches sails to night is the opposition boat to Phiebe she is a fast boat & steams easily eleven knots The Chas Morgan arrived this morning So business is going to be a little lively about here for the next month to come, I rather lete the little Sch Garland go please write what you think of her The Captain may charter her

The "Dorcas" had a fast cargo most of the fruit I calculated for the Boston Ship went into her as well came in with a late load a few days after

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

Port Antonio

Friday 19, 1885.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

L D Baker Esq
Pt Morant

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 21 1888

My Dear Bert I am in receipt of yours & am glad to hear you got on so well with the Stanwin.

The Erin will probably be with you Wednesday night or Thursday morn.

I wired you this morning to take out the Brighteyes ballast that O'Brien & Nairn were coming by buggy to send buggy to Manchioneal "&" We hope she will do as well as she did before if she takes stone ballast would it not be well to put in some of those slabs that were taken up from the varanda seems to me the varanda boy flatter in the boat

Am going up to Golden Vale with Mr Dodd to survey for a bridge, Was not able to come up Saturday but got over yesterday feel better Truly yours
Kindest regards Walt Lowe

Prominent Letter

L. D. Baker
Port Antonio

May 21. 1862.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 23d 1888

L D Baker Esq
Per Morant
My Dear Sir

The Erin has just about space enough to take Jam fruit we expect you will have very good bunches Hence I trust you have made a good selection,

Please clear the vessel for Philadelphia Consigned to C. S. Crowell & Co Make the invoices & Bills Lading to him, She has onboard now 1058 Bches 870 half bunches 288, 3d Class the above amounts is to be put with yours

Stanford put in 2175 1st Class 1786, 2d Class 657 3d Class

The whole must be

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

Abilene

Aug. 3. 1866.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, ... 188

included in B Consals invoice, but any what we have put onboard is to be invoiced,
Hauff & Co sends his bill through Capt Ackerly,

You are to invoice the fruit 2/9 per 1st Class bunch Wednesday & Saturday & Consolamrace 1/6"
Please give her all possible despatch There is a ship to go on abaud the same time the "Chas Marau" & we want get ahead of her just a little,
Direct all Jam Corrispondence to Mr Crabbell,
Have sent a package which came out on the Baker for Mother & Mrs Hanover

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, ... 188

I am in receipt of your of
June 6 & 7 & telegram
of June 7th & I shall
recall James & telegram
Inform you would have 25-00
to 3000 bunches the roads are
bad &c &c

The "Hindo" will take you
cocoanuts for 1000 bags
if there is anytime when
she arrives,

"Erin"

Mr Hughes is 1st officer & also
takes Cargo so all matters about
the Cargo you will consult him
I think. The Captain is a fine
man & one that we will like
after better acquaintance,

We are to load the Tyrian
the last of the week & are
hurrying on for her if you
should have any fruit left
over you can send it down
by the cutters Father

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 28 1885

L D Baker Esq
Port Maxwell

Mr Dear Son Oscar & Nairn have just arrived 2.30 pm & from W Hal - I should have been most anything but a time of recreation have not had time to hear their story yet; have sent in my resignation to the Jamaica Yacht Club.

wired you this morning reference to freight - on sugar this was W & R's orders the people will do as they think best about shipping their sugar You can put on board "Houdi" say 500 to 1000 bags nuts & what fruit you get in to midnight - tuesday night - Clear for Port Marie call here for boats & laborers put on say a dozen or more nice bunches of nuts & what mangos & Pines you can get we have no telegraph communication today & not

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

44:2

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 188

Know that our first telegram has come you can continue to buy fruit down to Thursday night — we will send another ship for it, The Marmion arrived this morning I will come up last of the week I think I say 80 tons Coal I remain over Sunday & I will come up in her, Ship about 1/3 Second Class nuts on the "Hondo",

We have the "Scandinavian" last of this week, we got through the Bryan about ten o'clock Saturday night it rained all the time she was here She took 19000 bunches all three ships went with full loads Cargoes, The times left here this morning for Port Morant to help you at Morant Bay

With love & kindest regards

Father

Private Letter

E. D. Baker

Mentone

May 2 & 1 Feb.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 30 1888

L D Baker Esq
Port Maria

My Dear Son Thos Ranney leaves yesterday & we have no mails, the Hondo arrived off here fine this morning & Capt Alwood & Lebarres went off on the train to see the Captain of Port Maria we do not expect to see her before tomorrow night fruit is coming very slow want you try get all you can to Friday evening will send the Martinique for it if the other steamer cannot come it looks now little scratch to get enough for both ships. The boys left with the last yesterday morning

We have Cable of Dorian with Elisha on board leaving Monday night we have another of Jamaica leaving last night so there are plenty of ships I shall come up on the Martinique but dont know when will leave here as the storm puts everything out of joint

we have a steamer in Port Maria
Yours
L D Baker

Private Letter

L. L. Parker
Col. U.

May 20 1864.

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(INLAND.)

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Received here at: 1.55 P.M.

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Delivering Office.

From: L. D. Baker Jr Whitlar

To: Mrs Baker Inverness

Rivers flooded all off us coming on Bright days this afternoon all well

Telegram
E. T. B.
to
Mrs E. T. Baker
May 25. 1884.

POST OFFICE TELEGRAPHS.
(INLAND.)

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Charges to pay £..... s..... d.

Handed in at the Kingston Office 4.25 p.m., Received here at 4.50 p.m.

From: L. D. Baker Pt Pt Mount

To: Mr Baker Pt Mount

Bright eyes won't for some reason does not get the cups Josh and I coming home tomorrow afternoon please show this to Mr. Hislop

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Diagram
E W Baker
to
Mrs Eliz Baker
Mary 24. 1[illegible]

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, 2 May 1888

Messrs Baker & Co
Portmouth

Dear Sirs

We have been so hurried we have not answered your letters of late — re yours of 26 apr — we would say the amount of £5-5-0 which you charge Pt Antonio is a small item but we think you are wrong in your opinion, and the £10.10.0 c nuts received from Naylor should be charged all to you, The difference in accounts that we split the difference are in Dec. Mr Cotter thought should have been all charged your side — as we have

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 6 1888

Messrs Baker Co

Dear Sir:

Your favor of 5th instant has been received, and contents noted. we will send the rope & Corn by first Steamer

Boston asks that when we send them Nuts we send an assortment giving some Dry and some Wet.

They say we have been shipping all Boston Nuts from Pt Antonio, which does not give Alexander Bros the assortment they need for their trade.

Senor will not doubt arrange this in future

Yours faithfully,

L D Baker Co

Private letter

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June 6 - 1844

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 8th 1888

L D Baker Esq
Pt Morant

My Dear Son Since writing you this morning I find the Rogers is going to Pt Morant then to Kingston I leave there last for the Baker will have time to come to Port Morant Thursday I hardly dare to risk as I want a large cargo for her & want her to have a very nice cargo, you can give out word to purchase next week for we just have cables of the Erin & Dorsian to be here next week & we will need all the fruit we can get so you can buy away hard as you can drive glad to know they want the fruit while it is high it will do us so much more good we are really short of fruit this week there is plenty in the country but cannot be

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 8th 1888

brought out on account of rain it was most fearfull storm last night.

You had better send out men to clear the telegraph line between you & Bath we can get Bath but nothing can get through to you. dont wait for the lineman or take him with you or give him an extra shilling or something to keep that line clear

Dont think you better wait any change in price of property first yet it will look as though we dropped immediately the letter was drawn off send the letter home & we will send one with corn & other goods ordered

Notice Mr Reynolds young man has arrived at the Bay, that you got £15 flood damages.

With love & kind regards
Father

Private Letter

L. A. Parker

Feb 4.

June 4. 1844.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 8th 1888

Pkr Bl + Phillips
Morant Bay

Dear Brother Since writing
the Morning by the Steamer
we have Cable from America
of the sailing of the Erin
& Tyrian & they will
be loaded next 1 week So
you may continue buying
fruit from Monday to
Thursday I think the Steamer
will come to Jam[illegible]
Potter will come to Port
Morant there is a Spotted
ship loading & we want him
to get enough ahead of them
With kind regards
L D Baker

Barnum Berlo
Cont. Apples
Salt—
White Pine Boards

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

per "Jamaica"

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 8 June 1888

Messrs Baker Co
Portmouth

Dear Sirs,

"Jamaica" is late in and great hurry Lemon Says fetch not put Corn Rope on her we intend to send them by Cutter tomorrow -

Drivers for Cow teams are very scarce here and what we have are very Saucy - Can you send us a couple good men who will not be independent and who will be willing to work late if they are paid for it - You can make any bargain with them you think best -

If we could get them by "Jamaica" we would be glad

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

B Co

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 8 June 1888

If not send by next chance.
If convenient to get today please put on Samana about a dozen clusters of green nuts same as you have sent before, the customers of the Boston Fruit Co call for them continuly, you can charge in the invoice at rate of 2 cts for each nut That is what we charge — If in too much hurry today you need not bother — we cannot get them handily here as trees over here are so tall, With best wishes
Sincerely
L D Baker & Co

Private Letter

L. L. Parker & Co

June 5, 1874

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 11 1885

L D Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Sir I wrote you this morning we would try come up with the Baker Wednesday that you must give us good bunches of nice fruit

Port Morant fruit has got a bad name & the Boston people dont want it & you must try select & cut only what is good I think we will need more fruit than good but if we get that cut is good will be satisfied, yet what we can take more I notice you write about sending cutters to Dallas you should have given us notice before. We have none now that can come.

We have a ship to sail on Thursday night from here the Tyrian we may not be able

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Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, ... 188

to get full cargo for her
if she should come to you
Thursday midnight - What quantity
do you think you could get
for her - here tomorrow,
Get all the prices & the kinds
you can & some Clusters
of dry Cocoanuts some
fresh Cocoanut limbs
some nice sugar cane &
some Pimento bushes & a Jack
fruit if you can

Has been raining for the
passed weeks hard & long
but what - we have six hours
thunder storm & rain So I have
been wet more or less for
most of the time The Pilot
came in just in time yesterday
to go down & tow the Jack
which had capsized two days
before off Folly Point the

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 188[illegible]

found her down off Buff Bay got her in before dark The Buff Bay was six days fourteen hours from dock to dock, The Stamona sailed Sunday Morning about eleven oclock so we had another Sunday at it, these slow Ships will kill all of us, you wrote you was sending us some cattle men but they did not come we are building houses for them,

O'Brien will leave four large piles & will send them then up to you, I will not be able to come up before Saturday,

Capt Freeman has written us to give him large cargo so be all ready next week to get fruit in early

With Love & kind regards
Father

Please send the oil cloth boots which came on the Stamona our people are impatient for them

Private letter

to

R. T. Baker

Esq

June 1 1845

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 13th 1888

To Miss Mc
Port Morant

My Dear Son I thought should be able to come up with the ship but find it quite impossible. There is room for say about 2500 bunches of bananas aboard we have put a little more into this ship then we ought to however give her the oldest fruit if you can find it & fill her up that she should take a large proportion of Miss Stevens.

The Erin will be with you tomorrow morning & will take the balance of fruit & leave you about midnight.

Give Miss Metcalf a ticket & charge the ticket to me (the price nine dollars or a complimentary ticket) remember me kindly to her

Father

Mr. Erin will leave Kingston Wednesday

Private Letter

C. E. Baker
Pres.

June 12. 1922

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 13 1888

L. D. Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Sir The Erin wishes to change or ship Coal 5th Mate has some Carpenter work which he wishes done you can furnish him with two men to do the Carpentery free as the Captain takes up the wharf piles for us free we send some heavy planks & bolts to bolt & brace the piles with you must get some rigs made for the heads of the piles before driving. I think they should be driven say about two feet inside where the old piles have been driven however I will probably be up Saturday night & will see you more about it,

We do not know yet whether we will be able to get full cargo for the Erin or not if we do not she will come here & put her fruit aboard of the Tyrian it is now

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 13 1886

doubtfull if we are able to get the full cargo but can tell better midday tomorrow I will wire you if we conclude we are able to get the full cargo we will want her to call off this port for boats & laborers friday morning daylight

with kindest regards & love from Father

Please put on board Cocoanuts Capt Hughes requires to make good stowage as she is going to Baltimore you better consign them to Baltimore Fruit Co for acct of C. S. Crowell Co. think you better put them on in bulk or loose

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
Va.

June 13. 1866

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 15 1888

L. D. Baker Esq
Port Morant

Yesterday your favor of 5th came
alright & Mobile & Atlas Company
have sent in their ships for the
sugar but has been shipped one
week, as there is no sugar other
is some in Pt Maria which they
are anxious to ship. we believe
omit Pt Morant this trip, let her
go direct for Pt Maria in that
case you will not be required
to buy fruit so for as we know
we have only one ship next week
& we can easily provide for her
should any ship turn up we will
send her to you If you think
you must have a ship she
can come but you will have
so short time to put fruit on
her that think you better rest
next week. write us what you
think about it — glad to see

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, ... 188

an improvement in the fruit
we took it all out & put it on
the Tyrian this morning & the Erin
has come to St Maria for more
I will try to come up tomorrow
Evening

With love & kindest regards
Father

Private Letter

L. L. Barber

Phila.

June 11th 1888

being we will need all the fruit the Apple can give us this week so you better make what extra exertion you can to get it down this week we need fruit next week,

You will find Mr Bodden a very fine man please give him a ride out to the plantation I would like him to go up on the hill if he thinks best I see mother Millie however there is but little consequence (if it is convenient)

With love I remain
regards. Father

Port Antonio
Jan. 14
1857

L. D. Watson Esq
Port Maria

My Dear Sir

We will want the Box Iron to leave you about Eleven o'clock tomorrow evening & shall want it cleared for Pt. Maria unless something more than we know of now occurs of in which case will wire you

Capt Fitzgerald says he wants the eights & the whole bunches mixed through the 20 first-class. Please be carefull about the small eights give her a good selection the next ship will probably be with you will be the Marmion Saturday

Private Letter

E. O. Baker
Pt A.

June 19, 1888.

Not busy 2 — but want
to make you a
chance to buy all you
want to. We intend
send you the Buxham
tomorrow or she will be
with you at twelve o'clock
we don't want you to come
until Wednesday night then
the Cora proceed to Pt
Marion calling off here
for laborers & boats
about two o'clock Thursday
morning. I want you
to be very carefull in
selection of fruit from
the buyers the small sizes
must be put into the seven
or second class, nothing
but the good third stuff

Port Antonio
June 18 1900

Lx Delta 1v
Bowden

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My Dear Son I suppose you all thought to be sure I would be with you & thought it too write late saturday when we had cables & letters to hand about four steamers for the 4th of Market - & then we had telegram from Farrell that he & his party men to be paid off would be here Sunday & wanted them money to day. I thought we was to have a nice easy time and this week that you had better

we not change the price but change the grade. The good sized bunds are as good as the best any day and the little mean ones.

This is the great week of weeks for fruit it seems everyone wants Bananas and how then to encourage you people to bring in fruit the whole week after this there must be a little change in the price of grade &c &c

When I was at Maranta my I saw some of the large square timbers such as we made poles of and they there now of to have them brought of to P Maranta

I think. It will require
the big Monkey to 58.
will try come up I stop
a week next week I
want everything ready
to go to work and the Dock
The owner of the Brisk
is onboard a fine old man
of the name of Baddely he
is getting up a new fruit
steamer that will steam
say 13 knots, he will
show her to you. I have
told him that I would
take ten shares I do all
I could to find business
for her Mr Sullivan
came to see us I showed
him all round I think
he was pleased!

Now for Mr Sandamore he
can come by land or by
steamer his things can
come by steamer,
He can bring down his
horses put them in
the pastures. I have not
concluded which profits
to put him on but then
shall give him the general
oversight of Golden vale
Round Brook & Windsor
as we are sadly deficient
in ability to lay out
work & to take interest
Richards is a fair sort
of a man but not a
planter
Yours with
love & tender regards
Father

Private Letter
C. L. Baker
St Antonio
June 15. 1862

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica 22 June 1888

Messrs Baker & Co
Dartmouth

Dear Sirs

We beg to enclose statement of a/c to 21st inst which we trust you will find in order –

We have had a long running a/c with F R Lumbard which we are very anxious to close and as we are to pay him in Logwood we cannot settle the a/c in cash, He claims a scow which was lost and we dare not intend to pay for it.

As long as the

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

B 1a

Port Antonio, Jamaica 2 7 June 1888

account stand open
we do not feel easy
we want to settle the
yr and if there is to be
a question we want
it settled — we make
it we owe him £146-16-5
and then again he is
fond of telling me
Kennedy that we owe
him money &c —

Kindly say how much
wharfage you charge
on ales & porter —
Coastwise and through —
Cases. Bdr & Casks
Cases air &c —

We are charging 1/3
amount freight for wharfage
on cases and 7/6 per
barrel and 1/0 tierces but

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

A. & Co

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 22 Jan 1888

the 1/3 B/Lading on
coastwise goods dont
pay us for the trouble
would like to know
what you charge to
make the matter
uniform,

With kind regards
Yours faithfully
L D Baker & Co

Just received 3000
Cartons Outward forms
from america cost
4/- per 100 do you want
any - Gardner charged
us 10/- per 100.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 4th 1888

Lost letter to
Pl. Marous

My Dear Son After reading mother's letter I did not like the way Pertup fever was working so hired you to call Dr Nordlund,

Notice what you say about the people having such a large quantity of fruit & have arranged to you can increase your quantity say 200 if you need any we want to know about it before the Stamona leaves here tomorrow morning as we can take any what she needs to fill up. Leave the balance to the Flamborow Saturday,

Hope to be with you by three o'clock tomorrow with the Stamona where Richard to day go for silver

With Love Hundred Regards
Father

Private letter

L. D. Parker
pt Antonio
July 4, 1847.

Elisha thank you better
not make any regular
invoice for the ship
only Consuls Invoice
we will make, the regular
invoice here to go
on by the next ship,
I left you this
morning about an anchor
at Morant Bay for
Ft Jamaica but the
seas is so rough don't
think you can do anything
till Capt will have it
on Ft Wharf for him
when he comes back,
if he has not been
able to get it now, don't

Port Antonio
July 5th 2.
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L. S. Nelson Esq
My dear Son
As your telegram states
Baby considerable better
I will not come up as
there is so much here
that needs me,

Be very careful of
the selection of the
Erins Cargo so do all
that can be done to you
for quick despatch.

Invoice Erins Cargo
at 6 4 cts 5 3/4 of those
for 48 eight hands & seven
32 cts 21 1/3 for sixes
Invoice units units at
same rates as last

let anything prevent you
giving the steamer prior
dispatch

Will there be any sugar
for "Howell" of not
what Romans will you
have for her tuesday
night - had you better
not wait to medalle
or last of the week.
I have been cutting fresh
for a steamer leaves
you Friday

If Rosky is well
enough Mr Megan will
come up Monday to
put in windows &
fix the house

Mother D.V.

I not well they
can begin on your
office If now look
that I cannot be
with you before Monday
as have got to Pittsburg
with Elisha to make
for his father's
out Westward

With Love
Father

There is a few letters packages
on board for you

Private Letter

R. D. Parker
Ft Antonio
Duly 5. 1[illegible]

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

L D Baker Esq Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 6 1888
Port Antonio

My Dear Son

Your telegram of sailing of Sarkana & academia of Cecil being on this way with Silver & another saying Ruby had a comfortable night came all right, think you did well on the whole, & she sailed just the time Capt Freeman wrote he wanted her to & that he wanted a full Cargo, Now for next week we think the Darien had better come to you thursday evening & you will probably have for her say 5000 must ask you try hard to give good selection your fruit has been running so small that there is hardly anyone that wants to come there you can buy the large boxes be careful that they are not

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Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, ... 188 6

over full for they will not keep so well as large fruit you can also prepare my 500 bags of nuts get all the nuts you can for Mr Crowell, we are sending the Spy to Manchioneal for nuts & News Letter to you with the Carpenters things windows & "&" Rubie is so sick that I hardly know what to do about needy Carpenters but if they dont work on the house they can perhaps work on the office telegraph what you think about it - none of them will go to the house to trouble mother for grub will want a room either in the telegraph building or Sullivans house for Mr Megann if you are not ready telegraph & will put them to work on little Cottage we have here, There was not

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room at Golden Vale for her
Richards sister or cousin - her up
to you can furnish her ticket
for Kingston, if she can't stay
& help Mother I should like it
either to take care of Bubie or
to sew or anything else,

I don't like the way Rubie's fever
is working though I know every
thing is being done that can
be, & we must trust - in the good
Master for his will & wait.

The Erin is loading at the
Wharf they are trying to tap her
so to bring her screw out of
water. We are expecting the
Hamburg tonight - & want to
get her away so I can come
up if possible Saturday night -

With love & kindest
regards Father

Private Letter

E. R. Parker
Buffalo 6/1/88

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 9th 1889

L D Baker Jr
Pt Morant

My Dear Son, I telegraphed you this morning asking how many bananas you could supply us to tomorrow going to see & your answer that you had made no calculations and only cutting I then telegraphed you you better not buy this week. The weather is getting so hot that I did not wish to send any stale or old fruit & I wanted the Havelock to take a large cargo & to leave here early in the week as possible next week we will give you a ship Wednesday night & you can put in all you want to into her.

The Dorian will be late & she will go to the leeward that she would loose too much time to go round to you, he wires

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Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 9 1888

You send cutters to Manchioneal
suppose you will,
You can buy Cocoanuts as
you may require or some a
chance to be cannot get any
turn to ship as on the Philadelphia
Ships all we can do is to get
the Bananas aboard of them to
them we are obliged to work half
of Sunday to do that I hope he
will get them running on some
decent time soon
I was more than glad to hear
little Ruby is slowly improving
hope he will nothing turns up
but what he will get well
right now
With Love & Kindest
regards Father

Private Letter

C. R. Paulin
Va.
July 9. 1888.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 11 1888

L. D. Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Son We on receipt of your of yesterday mailed say thank we all have cause to be grateful that little Reubie has been spared to us.

I notice what you say about insurance & have sent away & had 200 added to contents of Office - Warehouse & cocoanut house 200 & 100 on the new wharf building.

I think you have taken the proper course in reporting Mr Briers conduct - to the Colonial Gen & that Jewel will come and after we will send her there again & see what they will do

You can ship all of the sprouted nuts from Darling Ford unless they are too bad (too large sprouts) so long as the meat is not affected inside can keep them We are sending more boats for nuts this week.

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Fruit Dealers,

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Notice what you say about wheels will send for some more of them from you also axles & "x" I think myself it is far better to go to a wheel factory get the wheels already made Now when you go on you can ask Mr Burnham where he gets the wheels for his coal carts I know there is a regular wheel factory that does nothing but make wheels then you can get them in the rough shape then yourself or get them complete at a low rate it is only full hard on our wagons & wheels here.

Dorian arrived this morning spoke the Leeward with despatch tomorrow tonight - Hinde expected momently will come tonight -

With love & kindest regards

Father

Private Letter

E. R. Burkett

Md.

July 11. 1862

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 13th 1888

L D Baker Esq
P Maraint

Dear Sir I am in receipt of your welcome favor in reference to Boston steamer leaving P Maraint would say the Marmion will be the ship she is due this afternoon but not here yet.

You must make prices of fruit F.O.B. delivered at the wharf every place on the coast has come down to that. I have been in court most of the day, we gained our case here Judge Corren & Burke here the man valentine got twenty days at hard labor & the other got 30 days now I think we will have peace for a while. Am expecting Mr Small & family on

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Fruit Dealers,

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on the Tender they will
be at Port Morant I would
like Mrs Snell to meet
Mother but as the steamer
stops so short time Mother
would be obliged to come
down the hill this afternoon
she may not be able to tell
if she is not I will not
make any particular difference.
You may prepare some
Mangos for Marmion I
what good lines you can
get Elisha is coming
on the steamer going to
St Lucia,
The Erin will soon be
ready I do hope to load
her next week. they had to put
her down so much that her image
head is in the water to get
her propeller out
with Love & kindest regards from
Father

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
Ottawa,
July 13. 1880.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 18 1888

My dear Son,

The Marmion has room for say about 25-00 bunches, that is before we are writing you to send 5 cutters

The space in the boat room fill up to the beams with nuts & then put down the plank deck & stow three tiers on that & stow alongside close as possible

We have been obliged to put the golden vale fruit on her & there was more than we expected & it was so full we could not keep it for the other ship

Put the mangos on deck, also the Pines. I have just come in from the ship have been up nearly all night for past three nights little more sleep as this ship goes out will an you to bed

Return Sept - friday night - & the Jamaica Monday morning Return will come to you by Wednesday about the time the ship comes can prepare four or five thousand for her

Kindest regards

Father

Late

you will not have room for more than one tier of Cocoanuts put in M^r's the stow the fruit four or five tiers as it may require up to within one foot of the deck this is the way I stowed her first Mr Clifford will tell you all about it we have landed the plants will put the rocks when the returns the leaves at 1 80 Ref. first class fruit in upper deck you will see the plan of the holes which the Captain has

Yours

Benjamin Smith
E. A. Smith
Jno.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 20 1888

L D Baker Esq
Port Maranto

My Dear Son, I am in receipt of yours & glad to learn you gave the Mormon a good cargo I expected you would be sometime getting her away however she will go quick.

Notice what you say about Noyes I have read his letter but can hardly believe it was a square offer if so he better accept it we cannot do anything of the kind Richard has written me a letter complaining of your severe checking home written him it all right - you may order Doctor 8 1/2 as your suggestion.

Gleaner arrived with nuts but little late has gone on the Guadeloupe to meet Mormon Doctors Chocolate will go on "Syrian"

Notice what you say about Burton don't think there is any danger of his

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, ..., 188

going against you he said in the office here that he saw him Brice when he came out from the beach that he asked if the ship was cleared & they said yes & also said the ship was detained about four hours. But you may depend if they can overthrow you they are going to do it, & you must get the most level headed men you have got for witnesses if the case is to come off soon I don't know as you ought to leave the Island. You had better prepare your bunches for the Boat she will be with you Wednesday evening, also some mangoes & Pines about 200 bags of nuts. I will be up tomorrow evening with love & kindest regards

Father

See Mother & get her some letters but time too short to write to day

Pomeroy Letter.

L. L. Parker
July 20. 1888.
Grand Rapids

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Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, July 23d 1885

L D Baker &
J Marano

My Dear Sir Capt Wiley has had summons to appear to Court at Morant Bay today we wired you to send Murray for Wolbe to take the depositions of the Crew she can also take James, the Notes will probably be with you Wednesday morning Capt Freemans letter says the fruit on the Jamaica was very poor indeed If they continue to offer such fruit for sale they will loose all their customs I know you will do everything you can on this Coast to have it come out good & clean, if you have to take it from the people different select it & put nothing for first class but what is good

I am feeling better this afternoon keep us advised how fruit is coming & quantity &c &c

Yrs truly
L D Baker
per Thos

Private Letter

R. E. Baker

Pat'd.

July 23. 1888

Letter
L. C. Baker
1st Autograph
Jan 26. 1861

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Fort Antonio
July 26 '88

15 Pelican St

My dear boy

I have put onboard the Saxonia 1/2 doz bunches of seven hand bananas & Mr Potter will give them to you I have written Capt Freeman about it.

I arrived home here at two o'clock this morning the diarrhea set in today but it does not seem to trouble me much so I shall rest to morrow I have taken the best part of the past three nights so I am getting a little tired sleeping it now about half past eleven

With love & kindest regards

Father

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CABLE ADDRESS "BAKER"

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, ~~July~~ Aug 1st 1888

L D Baker Esq
C/o Boston & Co

My Dear Son, The Ogmore is loaded & ready for sea & we were obliged to work all the Jubilee through & the night before we had the Dorian it has been slow hard & hill work most of the men left - but the girls stuck to us working all night & we had a regular pick up gang from mountains & we were obliged to pay high prices. This morning I am pretty tired but otherwise I am all right have a good appetite & hope the diarrhoea will not come back again Dr Mosely is sick Mrs O'Brien very sick but all our clerks are well, Dick bought fruit but sold out to the Atlas Co 22 ar & have 200 more left, We have nothing more this week & only Marmion next week so will have good chance to rest. Tell mother we wrote her long letter by Marmion hope she had good time on the Boston expect she is just about stepping ashore (Thursday morning 8 o'clock) Tell Renby & Mattie they are in the land of ice cream eat all they want but not much at a time Sincerely wish I was with you all & hope next year I will be by luck be able to go

With love & thanks
Your Father

Letter
Capt. J. Baker
Hyde Park
Aug 1 1862

BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Morant, Jamaica, May 8th 1885

J. S. Baker Jr
of Baker & Co
Boston Mass

My Dear Son I have been up for two nights with Mr Tyrrell & Thomas Newell & I cannot write you anything now as the ship is just going out My health is quite good I am so tired can hardly write it is one of those weeks everything has gone slow on account of there being so many holidays & it has been hard work to get the ships away on time.

Your people up here are the best we have seen with us & we had half of them to Portland The Marmion will come direct to Bowden & will bring 90 tcs W P Boards & 50 Coco & 6 Bags Red Beans & potatoes & other things for my Store &c. Remember me kindly to Mother & Mattie Pauley tell them I hope they are having nice time

with love & kindest regards
Father

Bowden fruit looks better but there does not seem to be much of it
Yours

St Marguerites Bay
Aug 15th 1862

Lt Parker Jr.
G. Parker Esq & Co
Boston Mass

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My dear Son Jane my welcome letter came to hand on the arrival of the Niagara I was pleased to hear that you were so well situated & feel very thankfull that mother had such a pleasant trip up.

Everything is going along about the same as usual Mr Cotter is at Rowden he intended to the plantation fruit this week & nothing else it was time to lower the price I think the atlas better do that first — we did not buy I intended the Jamaica to go there Wednesday night but things turned up so I was obliged to send her Tuesday night & I hear they had not cut the grass however it will be all right for the Hound

Capt Wiley will tell you all about the Examination of

of Muriel & Creer & Joshua will tell you all about the mother

Many thanks for the watermelon I am going one to Davis & Leff Alwood & myself will eat the other

We have had splendid rains which will carry us through the season & if we do not have a hurricane we will have an very good season,

Please buy me a nice strawhat 6 3/4 va good fair braces have not seen the boots but guess they are all right,

Elisha is away on Tuesday look for him back the week will then be able to get more time,

Please give Joshua that money for Nattie tell you cannot have more time together but

but it is very important that you
are here when Capt Wilbur's Case comes
off & you must do as he
thinks best about coming back.
You can go back with him if
you wish. I suppose Celia
& Richard are writing you all
the news about Pt Morant I know
but little about it was up there
part of one night since you
have been away I came away the
next noon. So far as carpentering or
anything of that is concerned have
not been able even to think of it
Sorry shall not be able to get
mothers house ready before she
comes back but it does not
look now that I can, & the
work of the Wharf will let rest
until you return.

I will Celia if it is necessary
for you to come by the Robin of
course you can come by any

other Thamer if it is necessary
so as save the time of having
to come back & wait for the
trial But I think the Case
can be put off & until the
Hame. Camos round on
his regular trip.

With love & thanks beyond
Father

Letter
T. C. [illegible]
St Margaret's Priory
Aug 15. 1888.

L.D. BAKER & CO.
FRUIT DEALERS.
CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER"

Lamana

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 16 1888

L. D. Baker Jr
for Boston & Co
Boston Mass

My Dear Son There has nothing new came up since writing by the "Baltic" The Lamanoe has rather small cargo as we were so short in our orders for fruit that they all came short a little however I think it is better than to overrun. I have sent you a few Oranges in a little Mango Crate it was all the good oranges I could get here in P Antonio. I will try get you some Pears to send on next ship there are a few coming in will not be many this season.

We were very unfortunate about our Oranges the boats left Kingston after dark got ashore coming down the harbor then after they got off one of them ran into one of the stakes & tore her mainsail off so we had to send a new sail from here the "Flash" had just time enough to get here with about 1400 barrels the Ocho Rios boat was too late other left and about 20 Bloomers all of which have to go on the "Hounds" don't think it will make much difference as they are some green out will be a month before they will be fit to Eat.

Elisha arrived home from Kingston to day left Annie there as she is unable to use her leg yet. he is looking real well. Mr Nairn is better

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FRUIT DEALERS.
CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER"

Samoa

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, Aug 16th 1886

as he is out today Mr Lincoln Thompson the young man of Fairy Hill died this week after short illness of fever. But I think since the rain has come that the fever is abating a little.

The letter you sent Cecil by Capt Wiley has not reached him yet will go by tomorrows post. The things you sent for will come after the "Hounds"

I hope you will have a fine time & enjoy every moment & come home again

With love & kindest regards

L D Baker

Letter
L. O. Baker
Ft Antonio
Sept 16. 1888.

L. O. BAKER & CO.
BANKERS
FORT MADISON, IOWA

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 22 188.

Capt Cutler
Pt Morant

Dear Sir. Elisha was writing you on business I will only drop a line
The Marmion sailed from Porter as near as we can understand Saturday night. This would bring her on Pt Morant Saturday morning She will have 20 ft boards a few other things Now we want her Cleared Saturday night for Kingston Can better see her French & see if every board must be measured before she can clear if so we must send you an admeasurer She will require 60 ft Coconuts
Think you can advance the price of nuts sixpence on 100 for the small people

Capt Cutler
Pt Morant

E. D. Baker
22 Aug 1858.

Personal & Ptl.

L.D. BAKER & CO.
FRUIT DEALERS.
CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER"

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 23 1888

L D Baker
Esq Boston & Co

My Dear Son I will drop you a few lines to let you know I am well though I have been up two nights We have had a hard time to get good fruit this week there seems to be very little of it we have washed our teams in the Country way up to Golden Vale I have not been up to Rowden since last writing but am going Saturday & the Orden, We are having splendid rains so far quite heavy squalls but if we have no heavy winds our fields will come out splendidly & we will have nice fruit for next year, I expect to hear tomorrow from Mr Wolfe about the Court & it can be put off until the 25th 5th Cable you by Capt Freeman

I send some letters that have come for Joshua also letter for Heathen

will write more particular after I have been to Rowden & also write Dollie

Love & kind regards to you all I wish I was with you

Father

Elisha has just shown me a late telegram from Wolfe saying the Wiley Case has been postponed until the 24 so you are all right for a stopover another trip, I send two bunches of Bananas by Capt Freeman will tell you of them I put them in

Boston with the Cargo

L.D. BAKER & CO.
FRUIT DEALERS.
CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER"

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 29th 1888

L D Baker Esq
Co Boston & Co

My Dear Son, I have been up the past three nights & am hardly fit to write to you. We went to Rowden & took 60 stems & the to Kingston & got 4/6 bbls oranges. Then back to Rowden & took about 2500 bunches Plantains. Then to Orange Bay & took 1500 & finished up here. Everything at Rowden seemed to be moving along smoothly McCotter had his book up to date & will pay us an instalment 1st Sept. Then goes down to Manchioneal to look every thing over & check up the accts.

Mr Clifford died at Rowden of fever, & Capt Alward comes on as Mate & superintendent of the Manchioneal. He will give you a certain policy of letters that have come since you have been away but the one for Joker & Mullin.

You can has been put off until 24th Sept & we cabled Capt Freeman the same. Capt forward will be there in behalf of the United States & he says that there is going to be quite an interesting time before it is over & some one will have some money to pay. He says Capt Willy should have gone to Jack & would have been the best days work he made for the year. I will write you more about it soon. Am sending you two bunches Plantains & a few oranges.

With love & kindest regards
Father

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L.D.BAKER & CO.
FRUIT DEALERS.
CABLE ADDRESS. "BAKER"

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, Sept 5 1888

L D Baker Esq
Boston Mass

My Dear Son I was glad to receive your letter by the Porter & to know you were all well & enjoying yourselves so much & to hear of the Cargos coming out so well. The Peaches & the Mackerel reached me all right & were splendid especially the Mackerel you must think Cape Poyler thousand times I am putting aboard a bunch of Bananas for Rin Doane from Mr Mayo. The hat was just what I wanted & also the braces now I want you to buy me a pair of Lace up Shoes number seven the last pair were too large but they will do for winter first rate when I come to wear thick socks. This writing finds me at midnight - of the third night - having been up all the other two nights so I cannot write much

I was up to Bowden last night on the middle of the night - so dont know much about what is going on there except that Collier is furnishing about 24 or 25 bunches a week from both ports & very good fruit We started for Bowden in the Porter Monday afternoon we got up off the port & rainy thunder & lightning so that we were compelled to keep on to Kingston where we were going for oranges & came back Wednesday night - Stock nuts & Bananas & then went

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FRUIT DEALERS.
CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER"

Baker

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, Sept 5th 1885

are to Ruff Bay to our new shipping station
with two bunches of very nice fruit & the Cause
have finishing my cargo, we took 1045 Bls
of oranges at Kingston so the has got a large
cargo onboard Doctor Nyland is onboard
with his wife he is anticipating an meeting
you here give him letter to Capt Freeman
J E Mason is also onboard he is our agent at
Orange Bay & Ruff Bay,

Dr Nyland will tell you about Helsop
he seems to have slipped & fell & hurt him so
he has had a very bad time & seems of blood here not
heard from him to day,

I hear but little said about the case with
Price & Wiley, Please look & see if Boston has
the overtime vouchers for the ~~M~~ June,

Please remember & buy some coops of
chickens say about ½ dozen the Belize will
come direct to Bowden & we want a South
down Ram for our flock we now have 370 &
want to improve the breed all we can,

All the properties are looking pretty good just
now, am sending you four bunches of E & Hand
Bananas & one box of oranges the oranges are
in the cargo you Consul invoice so you
better pay for them as they have got - put on
the Kingston invoice before I turn it off will

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CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER"

Baker

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, Sept 1888

go through the ~~Kingston~~ The Rooks.

I am glad to hear that Mother & Mattie & Bubie have really gained in health & had a good time. I shall look with great pleasure to the time of the Bakers coming to next time.

Send now my good byes.

With kindest regards

Father

Mrs L.D. Baker
Port Antonio
Left St 1 8 99.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Sept 14 " 1886

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Sylvester Carter Esq
Per Marant

My Dear Sir Yours receipt of yesterday notice what you say about the Surf Boat getting broken I am glad it was no worse for it seemed Wilson must have had a narrow escape, although Wilson is hardly worth saving yet I don't feel like loosing him just yet.

Send the boat down by the Marmion Bryan will repair her. Glad you twistles out of Marchbanks 1886 it just what we like to have in the Bank.

We notice what the letters look suppose they make it profitable doing a drafting business it does them good to have their own way. Notice what you say about Flam & Co they will resume the orders from N York again We notice Arnold

L. D. Baker
14th Septr 1888

Private Letter

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, 188

J. Marmion this morning & that
the boat Flora is sinks so don't
suppose you will want any of the
cutters from here, Please send
us out Thousand Planed W.P. Boards
for small repairs We thought
the boat Snow aboard but
find must be left for Mr Baker
(Saturday afternoon)

We want Marmion get here, so
he can blow down his boilers & fill with fresh water & be ready
Monday 12 o'clock. Can you send
us first cutter load fruit direct
from McBay as we wish to
put fruit into the Marmion & get
her away Tuesday night by getting
a little from all the points we will
be able to do it the Typhoon will
come for your fruit Tuesday night
we expect you to get 2000 bunches
in all.

You can keep what boxes you may
want,

With kind regards
L. D. Baker

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,
Port Antonio, Jamaica. Sept 17 1881

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Sylvester Cotter Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Sir We recd cable of sailing of the Better Saturday 12 o'clock do with family onboard, also cable of Dorian sailing they will probably both be at Pt Morant together we will want all the Cocoanuts we can get for them. Dorian supposes going on to Kingston for oranges. Our letters by H Marmion were encouraging out-looks that we will have a fair run of trade for bananas through the fall months, Am canning up on Friday.

I notice Brother Ashley has put me down as a local Preacher in his answer in the Gleaner (to the Revd Br Ashley)

Yours truly
L D Baker

L. D. Bakers
17th Septr 1888

(Private Letter

J. D. BAKER & CO.
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Sept 19 1888

Baker & Co
Pier Morant
Dear Sirs
Please stow 1 Class fruit on Port side on both decks,
Stow 8th first in Starbard orlop ~~after~~ 7th & 3 Class
The between decks near the fort put in whatever you may have left putting Banana trash between the different Classes together away room as you can
If you have more 1 Class than can be taken on the Port side you better stow it near the Pall on the Starbard side Close the port after the orlop is stowed & pass over the rail file up, only don't loose any room for we don't think you have any room to spare

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 188

We had a Harney nipper last night or she would have been with you this morning get her away soon as you can dont stop for the rain, The writer would come up in her but waiting to see Mr Watson from St Marie send Buggy friday to Manchioneal will leave here about ten o'clock

Yours truly
L D Baker

Mark on left Fishes diagram where you put the different classes of fruit, dont put anboard four fruit for it will be the first that is to be taken out

L D B

L. D. Baker
14th Sept. 1888

Private Letter

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,
Port Antonio, Jamaica. Sept 26 1888

My Dear Son Per Maranie
We came in here last evening at 9.30 discharged cargo stock in hand burnt Bananas & the Bella went out at three o'clock for Buff Bay & Orange Bay & we hope to get her away from here say 12 o'clock to night — & have her still keep her regular time

We have Hondo Nurse Pilot & Erin next week we dont know which ship will come to you first but think you will have one Tuesday night & one Thursday night — but you better not give over work later than Wednesday,

will have Carpenters ready to go to work on Great House Monday morning get with them White pine from Morant Bay. Will be up Saturday Love & kindest regards

Father

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
Pta
Sept 26. 1844

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Oct 188

L D Baker
Pt Morant

My Dear Son, We have two Concord Carts which will send you off Cutter last of the week. Glad indeed to learn that "Rubie is much better."

Erin sailed Wednesday last with T Marrison alongside from Pt Maria will get away about 10th inst.

Dorman will be Kingston to leave tuesday inst & will call at Pt Morant & Baker will probably be at Mt Bay tuesday night - Midnight - Thought we would gain time to let the two call at separate ports as they both want get away tuesday night to May Charge it & send the Baker Pt Morant if needed

With Love & Kind Regards
from Father

L D Baker

Private Letter.

L. D. Baker
Port Antonio
Oct. 1888.

Port Antonio Oct 6
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L & S Gatewood

My dear Son

I am sorry that I will not be able to come up to the Mission this morning will try come up tomorrow tonight - I had sick headache all day yesterday last night but feel better to day,

Sorry indeed the Mission could not come for Bananas you must send them out of the harbor they will not be good for anything

Mannion arrived has no ceiling boards for our house Will be

with you Wednesday night
for Bananas we want
about 2000 bunches
of choice fruit let
it be full fruit
Aymar left Cate last
Saturday Carga in poor
order when it left
here most of it cut
Monday & Tuesday
Also require for
Marriage shes with
you will have ready
With love & kindest
regards Father

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

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Dear Bob
Pat Morant
My dear boy
I have told Mr Kennedy
to take buggy to Pat Morant
& then you will send him
on with buggy to Fairfax
You will have to let Mr
Kennedy drive one of the
boys at St Antonio bring back
the buggy
I was called away from Philip
to day & the Atlas to see them
with Mr Kennedy before he
left It has been a wet cold
stormy day The Brutus arrived
Saturday night with 1500 bunches
of Bananas They were all ripe
in bottom, but think the Freeman
is having a rough time getting
out to the vessel It has been

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blowing very heavy to the southward
of us.
We think Mr Miller had a
rough time for the gal-
ant fast in trying to take it

I suppose shall know when
the Court lies at the end of this week
& will write to you

With love & kindest
regards from Father

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Oct 12 1886

L D Baker Esq
Philadelphia

Dear Sir We recd telegram from Swetting this morning say the ships were not satisfactory & we wired him tell Cutter come home

Also wired you not buy boots for Florence & send one here immediately & others to Manchioneal, so they could be there Tuesday morning sure will be time enough. The Cutter coming here then will be replaced by one with 7 yards carts & "5" as ordered We expect the Cutter will be with you Tuesday night for lots of Bananas want all the lots you have

Richard & myself will come up tomorrow

Love & kind regards

Yours

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
Ft Antonio
Oct 12. 1888.

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L. D. BAKER CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Oct 18th 1885

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Ft Morand

My Dear Son I have added a few things to the list you requirements 2 tins of Butter some grass rope sand paper that & thought you would need I think the butter is very good as it was from Uncle Samuels friends We had but a small lot of the W.P Longness grooved we had a little white wood, 500 ft. that was ordered by some one & they did not pick for it I hardly think there is enough to ceil a room but may be enough to cover over head perhaps of one of the rooms or a side wall you must place it as you think best after using them if it runs low must wait until the other things come which must be on the "Marmion" also send a few shingles we had the cement on board when your telegram came!

The Bbls & Darian both came in

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Oct 18 1888

the front at the same time & we had to work all night - Boston went away at one o'clock the Darien went this morning at nine. both had very fine cargos. It was night when Mr Baker was here & could not get your old Cat but the Boston will come direct to Bowden next time & you can catch her there.

This letter will be subject to orders after she has discharged her cargo.

I am not feeling well today it is probably from the night work, strainness fully half the night - will be all right tomorrow

With Love & kind regards

Father

Private Letter

F. D. Baker
Bl'a.

Oct. 18. 1888.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,
Port Antonio, Jamaica. Oct 19th 1886

L D Baker & Co
Port Morant

My Dear Sons We are in receipt of yours of yesterday in reference to J W Taylors requirements would say we have none of the things in stock or but very small quantity, would advise him to get of Emanuel Lyons Son,

The lumber for Mr Watson you had better order from the same parties as we have none as there is so much yellow fever we will not have any until into the winter, will talk with you about Noyes sheep tomorrow when I come up. We will not buy for the Carman at your place the Marmion week following will be better, chance as the week for Kingston I can call both parts will leave here quite early to send buggy to be Marchioness 7 o'clock

Lewis Hendricks Respect
Gatter

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
pro
Oct 19, 1888.

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Port Antonio
Oct-29

251 John St
N Y

Ft Maxwell

Dear Jim

We will not require a great quantity of fruit this week. say fifteen hundred to 2000 from Jamaica will be enough let it be full fruit

will only load two ships first of week Erin last of week

offers of work

Sending Cullen tonight with some things, we will write by him

Yours
Walter

Private Letter

L.D. No 1.
p Private Letter

Oct. L. D. Baker
— Oct. 29. 1888.

L. D. BAKER & CO.
Fruit Dealers

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Oct 27th 1898

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Lt Mr
Pt Morris

My Dear Son, I intended to write to Pt Morris but she came in & went out without my going to the wharf which has never been done by any steamer before unless I was sick but Elisha had to stop down to do some writing so that did not seem to be any need of me & he wrote me a note in the night that I need not come unless I wanted to of course I did not want get out of bed in the rain

We are sending letters tonight with the White wood boards & orange Rosethorks for Dick & for Cathcart have written Dick about it.

We have cable today that the Maud towed into Guantanamo Cuba so she is out of the for this reason & I am grateful

Tell Jeffrey for me I pray daily for them all

The Mr will see the orders for oranges & mandarins

Dick will be sure to get what orders is not filling

Transcribe Letter

L. N. Baker
Atlanta.
Oct. 31, 1888.

U. Hyl. Defendes
Fitch

last week following want
my full fruit at a
pound less per 100
than we have been giving.
Sending balance of
boards by cutter ~~next~~
tomorrow
both Cone & Kind regards
Father

send Ruffy early so
horses can rest till
Monday morning

Dec 2. 1884.

Francis Fate
P.O. Box
Ala.

Port Antonio Nov 2
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To Robert Ex
Pt Morant

We have letters from America that Mr Williams & Capt Freeman is coming on to Robert I believe to Robert to Pt Morant but dont know how Capt Freeman will direct her however she must go to Kingston Monday so I will go with her well came up tomorrow but will be late as must go Golden vale in the Morning will not require any fruit from you next week

FROM
L. S. Row
E. A. HOWLEN,
FRUIT AND PRODUCE DEALER,
AND SUB-AGENT FOR
NATURE'S HERBAL REMEDIES,
30 ORANGE STREET,
Kingston, Nov 15 1887

To L. S. Butler Esq.
Pt Morant

My Dear Son I came down nicely the evening was cool & refreshing.
I have seen Forwood & learn that Hoyes had made an application to him for a contract - on the Name of Thos Watt James. I think from what I can learn from Forwood that he would be glad to have him but he says he wants but 2000 bunches every fourteen days and he can be guaranteed that he will not care to be in contract with anyone. Thinks his contract with James lasts a year longer he says.
I think you have taken a wise course in offering Hoyes to take his fruit the year round and he insists upon James standard of price you can give it to him as I think the price of fruit will be higher than James contract - an encouraging letter will do him as much good as anything. I arrived in time to see the Hands off & am now waiting to see the Aguan come. Will write when she arrives the time will be getting home.
Love & Kind Regards
Faith

Private Letter
L. D. Baker
Kingston
March 5. 1866.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fru. Dealers.

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Port Antonio, Jamaica Nov 21 188

Lt Col. Pitman
P. R. C.

My Dear Sir I have welcomed the
to hand & would say Mr
Harrison P/O for month
October from Chequer
for balance of acct.
Dist. shall respect
his orders have the
ready for Pitman Tuesday
night I would not buy
any more at present

Have kept Capt Freeman
up all night for the
past two nights & he
begins to see a little of
the business we will
not be up to your before
Friday night, want
to see Mr Hollins before
we go Bottom as he asked
me to call If anyone
[illegible] you what you can do

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

F[illegible] Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica. 188

for them in the way of contracting for Navvies you may tell them we will do as well as anyone else for them to meet

Some Windsor regards

from Father, L D Baker

If Dick Coulson makes any arrangement with Marchalecks I think it would be advisable

Please expedite hurry

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
pbd.

Nov 21, 1888.

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, Nov 28 1886

Lt Baker
Port Maroant

My Dear Son Capt Freeman will go on on this ship & I will remain to follow two weeks after, We have concluded to make the 1st of Dec the end of our financial year so please take stock & bring up all your books to that date so that I can have the account to take with me,

The Enos will probably be with you Monday morning for Cocoanuts give her all you may have, how many do you think there will be?

Will see you Saturday,

Don't think mother better begin on the other half of the house until I come from America

With love & kindest regards Father

Private Letter

C. D. Baker
Port Antonio
Nov 2. 8. 1888.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers.

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, Nov 30 1885

L D Baker Esq
Pt Morant

My Dear Son I am in receipt of yours immediately were you to give Harrison Cheque for silver will bring it down with me Monday as it will be needed here Elisha seemed to have got your telegram & did not send any silver nor did he telegraph us from Kingston,

I am very heavy taken down of stock, will be ready to leave here for Rowden my four o'clock tomorrow so you can send horses to meet me manchioneal

Erum will be with you Monday for nuts, want no fruit until Marmion week following, Miss Pettie seems to have written Aunt Emma very kindly of you all at Rowden

with love & kindest regards

Father

Permit Letter

L. D. Baker
Md.

Nov 30 1844.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

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Port Antonio, Jamaica. Dec 5th 1885

L. S. Walker Esq
St Mary's

My dear Sir your welcome favor of yesterday to hand, & would say 7½ for Darlingford nuts during November is right. Are we to understand that you now owe us $8½ & you better give cheque for what you owe him up to 1 Dec & write him that price will be 6½ for balance of the year or rather from this on.

As for Mr Taffee he might come down his home most trouble with old buskers is they are most of them great drinkers. Watson will be up by the "Cygnus" tomorrow & we'll talk with him about it.

We have telegram from Mr Carne Kingston saying that Wiley's case was decided in favor of the decision of the Lower Court but as yet we have not advice as to grounds of the judgment suppose we

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Dec 5

will have something definite in a day or two

It rained nearly all day yesterday fruit came in slow The Erin is at Manchioneal loading today The Edith Mackintosh is loading this Evening The Cyprian is to be here this Evening, we will just about get enough fruit to load them if weather continues as good as it is this Forenoon, The Spy is reported to have at Victoria Point near Belfast by O'Neill has gone to her relief but hope is N well soon afraid will loose her

With love & kindest regards Father

Private Letter

E. D. Baker
Ohio.
Dec 15. 1844.

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SUCCESSORS TO
L. D. BAKER & CO.
FRUIT DEALERS,
CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER."

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, Dec 12th 1888

L D Baker Jr
Port Morant

My dear Son, I have just received your welcome letter with enclosed copy of Jan business. have not had time to look through it but will soon as steamer has sailed. Notice what you say of your fruit that there will be many seeds in it we dont think that will make much difference as they want your common fruit something that will ripen up quick

We will wire Jan to send boat out as we busy with laborers we hope it will be month in Morant Bay. Please write Boston H Co full particulars of the discriptions of fruit you put on board so they will know where each lot is stowed also cocoanuts

We send five barrels cement all we have on hand

Notice what you say of Mr Taaffe - will talk with Watson about him.

The "Bethia" sailed Saturday night will probably make Bowden her last port going home but dont think you will be called upon to buy heavily as we must buy at Annotto Bay & Morant Bay the coming week. So you can get-

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FRUIT DEALERS,
CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER."

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, Dec 12 1888

some good oranges she can take them but you must instruct your people to be carfull in picking & carting

you will be a Pellee short of cocoanut for "Robin" so you can make a movement amongst your people want yet enough to make up 50 we have about 30 th so if you can get in 20 th will be enough am writing Gray today perhaps he can give you a pellee load by Saturday night.

We have sent diagrams which wish you to complete ~~an~~ initial & send to america you will see where Capt Alvarez has put his fruit & where Dick put his & you must join on then need be no trouble put between yours & Dicks only that where you show in completing the cargo seven against eights or eights against nines & "&" any where different denomination of fruit join is there any need of anything to separate them when complete enclose to the Boston F Co They will make any suggestions they wish in receipt & return them to me any suggestions you may wish

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CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER."

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, Dec 12 1886

to make in reference to the fruit can be done on the back of the Digram
Is a new plan which I wish to continue so we can have some check on our outports

With kind regards
Father

Punch Letter
R. D. Parker
Atty.
Dec 12, 1888.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, _____ 188[illegible]

37.

Please have cut for Pilot Jamaica for us to leave town at 8 o'clock with just as Monday

L. D. Baker Esq.
Port Morant

My Dear Sir

Yours to hand & noted & would say we will not require any bananas from you next week & we will not send the Bakers to you if we can help it this time. Nuts & oranges can be sent by cutter. You have the Rosary what nuts you have ready send her will gather on night & we will send others. I will not be up before say ten o'clock. To-morrow afternoon I will stop with the Monday noon. Send horses to Mandeville to-morrow will want them the day from 8 o'clock to the 10th. Yours truly — Low & Nunes

Yours
Father

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
Mark.

Dec 14, 1880

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

L D Baker Esq Port Antonio, Jamaica, Dec 18th 1885
Pt Morant

My Dear Sam The Baker arrived last night about ten o'clock & it was quite a relief to me I can assure you for notwithstanding we had stopped all we could there was probably one third of her cargo lost. The cause of the long passage was the heavy winds rough weather. Her appearance is quite good & B Bananas will be well they have cause to say we dont want any more oranges at any price or perhaps market must be dull I sincerely hope the little lot of fruit that is going this trip will be good dont feel as though wanted to see any more. But as yourself & Richard are concerned you can send what is on Philippefield & what few Dick can get at Morant Bay if they dont cost more than 75 cts per Box Barrel. F.O.B counting the box 75 per

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Fruit Dealers,
Port Antonio, Jamaica.

Dec 18th 1888

to be worth 15 cents, this would be 60 cents for commission labor & oranges The ~~steamer~~ Houston comes to Jam. about Thursday night - you must make your arrangements accordingly you will get telegram from Kingston and by arrival there. you can put on all the sixes there are on the properties including Dr Nylands & Hollis & Noyes and let them be good stock

Capt Freeman write & wants to know the salary of each clerk you have in your employ & the amount overdrawn if any by each the (1st day of Dec) suppose he wants to know if you have been spending any of their money or if you have been allowing the clerks to get away with your however suppose it is all right - as we want to be above board & without suspicion

There are some very fine oranges on Phillips

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Fruit Dealers,
Port Antonio, Jamaica, Feb 8th 188 8

want them packed & marked by themselves
you had better use what you want
of them for the house they are so
much nicer than those at Boudens

We will cook for the
cutters Thursday morning & trust
they will be here all right -

Write what ever you think is
worth writing so I can have it
before I leave

With Love & Kindest regards
Father

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
Okla.
Dec. 18, 1888.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Dec 19th 1888

L D Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Sons The Prosp. has arrived with oranges from Dick the fruit was good but the boxes badly made & fruit loose packed I think if more care had been used the oranges would take well please send him some nails & hoops if you have any or if you can get any. Rose Apple is what is used,

The Baker is away to the leeward for fruit will be off tomorrow any news Smith of the Baltimore Fruit Co is going up with me,

Mr Cotter has our books all right & has left for home our business for the year has turned very satisfactory all that could be expected

With love & kind regards
Father

Private Letter

E. D. Baker
Phila.
Dec 19. 1860.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,
Port Antonio, Jamaica, Dec 20 1885

Lothrop
R. Morris

My Dear Son,

Your welcome letter came by Messenger from Harrison was just what I wanted are there more I want that is the amount of money due you also the amount of money due Dick please accept by next post. I have overdrawn my account Elisha has overdrawn his we want to know if you & Dick have enough due you to make up our deficiency.

Your letter came by Harrisons Messenger Eugene seems to be sick there are sending telegram in the morning for you to go see him I have doubts about his being able to go through the Election without serious injury

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I am sorry he has undertaken it I am writing Lizzie that if she does not get a favorable telegram she better not delay going up there where he is.

Sanfilebeau is building - a wharf Puff Pay may want the crane at Rowden also that old wench for boom as we get safely fast wharfs we want begin wharfage

I have written Harrison that Gray can collect all the good ripe nuts, we don't want them but can take them to keep his gang going

I have told Kennedy if he wants Romanus he can talk with you about it. it may well perhaps to give them some to keep the price steady this spring you can tell him you can see no reason why you cannot give

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then come if Boston sees what she wants James may undertake to hear of the price if we dont hear then a little let him know they are not wholly dependent on him. Jas can tell better when I get back as I shall then know what Boston wants

with love & kindest regards Father

P.S. I am feeling first rate to night believe I am going to have a good time in Boston

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

Pres.

Dec 20. 1888.

Lorenzo Baker &
Port Morant Ja

Tuesday

Wellfleet Dec 27th 1885

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My Dear Son, The steamer sails for Kingston tomorrow & I will drop you a few lines, My health is a little better but not able to go out much I went down to the barn Sunday & went down again yesterday but the weather continues quite cold & there is no chance for me to run around much I intended to go over to the Island before I leave for Jamaica but don't think now that I shall get there, for as soon as I can go out without risk I shall go to Boston then to Philadelphia & probably on to Jamaica I wish I was there now I would give all that I would cost for three pennyes but you need not be anxious about me for I am quite comfortable situated, I had letter from Elisha he said the lady had ordered but 3000 bunches & would sail friday that he did not know where even that amount was coming from (good fruit) for all the fruit was cut & the trees full of fruit & some with orange, lays & it was so rainy & stormy the fruit would not fall off he wrote that the "Dark" had gone all to pieces & I was sorry to hear that he have been very lucky & just now it is not costing any thing for, I shall have another build to take his place, We have got along through the dull season very well so far, have not made much money but have kept things moving & are well though rather feeble circumstances & the weather is growing very much so I intend to sell back the fruit & open a store here

the morning of the 1st. I am will come to talk
[illegible] the poor people but not enough to raise
the price before the time for raising it,

I understand you have cut down September the land on the upper side of the
road up to Philipsfield, but it is real good land there on Philips's
I want to clear off part but don't think you can do much at it this wet
weather. I don't think there is any more good Panama land on Rowdan
is land that will grow Panamas like Philipsfield so that the rest part
of our attention must be directed to that by we must to get the best
Panama land planted. Not a word in doubt but good for Cocoanuts. Keep mind we have a good time & more. I am very
anxious to get down to see you for I feel well that my time
with you will begin to be of value. I have heard nothing from
home lately, Cocoanuts I suppose you must keep up the same
paying as others give more for nuts you can Mr Crowell writes
the heavy blow down in Central America blowed the nuts off
the trees & that they had nuts in. In the Newyork market is quite
good now & chances are we shall have no stock up this season
until June you can purchase of all the people for near spine the
a fair price be as considerate as possible & let the nuts
of big dont cost more than No. 1 & 3 if they cost less than that
so much the better, There is nothing further worthy of note to
write. Hoping this will find you well & with best
wishes for the success. I love with kindest regards
Your ever affectionate Father
J. J. Sellers

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CALVIN S. CROWELL & CO.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
124 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

(Written on the wrong letter) Father

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Philadelphia, Jan 4 1887

Dear Son & Daughter in Pt Pleasant

January

My Dear Son, We were Eight & half days on a rough passage to Boston arrived Saturday 7 O'Clock Morning. Cargo poorest that has been sent up this year partly because we had a rough passage & partly because the out port fruit was thin, it did look bad They thought I did it to see if they would say anything when I was there myself on the spot. They spoke very highly of the cargo you sent them on the Warrior and it was the best cargo that had ever come to that Market. They did not expect to get another so good.

We have partly engaged to load the Brechan & Mr Howes is coming out on Sat & he will probably come to Pt Pleasant for Colvanits & Ramonas the Summers is not clear yet will know tomorrow

Dicks oranges came out in good order & sold at a profit but Kingston fruit was nearly a dead loss, I am well & will write you more tomorrow or by the Brechan

I am sending this off to catch the N York Steamer

With Love & kindest regards to you all Father

Tell Mother I am writing later soon as I can get hour to sit down by myself

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J. H. FREEMAN
General Manager.

A. W. PRESTON,
Asst General Manager.

L. D. BAKER,
Manager Division of the tropics.

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OFFICE OF

BOSTON FRUIT Co.

REGULAR LINES OF STEAMERS FOR PASSENGERS AND FREIGHT TO KINGSTON, PORT MORANT, PORT ANTONIO, JA. GREYTOWN, BELIZE, LIVINGSTON, PUERTO CORTEZ & TRUXILLO.

CABLE ADDRESS "BANANA"

HEAD LONG WHARF
IMPORTERS AND GROWERS OF
TROPICAL FRUITS.
PLANTATIONS AT JAMAICA, W.I.

Boston Feb 2d 1889

Pertinent

My Dear Son

Was in receipt of your esteemed favor of 16th "Aspen" & welcomed letter I was glad to hear you were getting along so well. Think you done first class to get so much fruit in so short a time but we will have no more of the W S R ship after the next trips. We have supplied them places with the Miranda & the Cerf Hf which with the Dethmarsen we will have as good a service as can be put on the water until something better is built.

Your fruit came out looking very nice Mr Preston says that if you can keep it up you will do all that can be expected also says send all the small fruit you have on our own plantations & other properties that are dependent on us. I notice what you say about James & the quantity of fruit he got for the Teresa I suppose it will be impossible to get the road perfectly clear of competition & James is

Boston July 2d 189

the best one that we can have for we know all his "tricks of trade".

Coconuts you can continue to buy carefully & select well the market is very dull now here, put on the Mariner the 8th that have on hand we need them here as there is nothing else that can be sold in the place & San Blas nuts Mr Crowell gets more or less $13 nuts from N York to help his jam out. The Bags will not be made any account of now the Freedage or Wharfage and the gross amount of cost, and make up the Pd Charges in American money to save double work here!

I should have come out on this ship but Mr Crowell & Mr Stevens & Hathorne wants to see me very much 1st of the week so I will leave on the Rattler I suppose about the 8th, be still have good weather & my health is good but I have had a very uncomfortable time & I shall be glad when I get back & get to work with Love & hundred regards from Father

What you have done about the Cocoanuts is just right — I am pleased that you have so good a man in charge of Nuevitas — I know he will take care of the interests of the Co. & I know you will to the best of your ability — I am Truly & Respectfully yours

Private Letter

E. D. Baker

Boston

Feby 7. 1849.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica. Feb 27th 1889

L D Baker Esq
Bos Morant

My Dear Son I arrived this morning after a rough passage but in good health & glad to get back to Jamaica I notice by your welcomed letter that you were home about 400 bunches of fruit for St Thomas, Elisha has written you that you could put one if you could get in and unloaded today he had prepared 400 for Ks of St Maria but the weather so rough that that she was not be able to work for two days & we can reach it with the "Nation" Mother you have quite quantity of Coloamuts & Thus you better load the Cutters & send them here for "St Nation", I suppose they will continue to trouble us with Price as long as they like the only thing we can do is to continue our complaints it is evident enough that the officials have

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E. D. Baker

Boston

Feby 7. 1849.

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done something irregular & that that they dare not remove him, he will try the new governor & when he comes into power there must be some way of reaching such a desolate chap. I notice what you say of Mr Richards I met him in Boston think he is a pretty good fellow, I will go down on the Baker to Morrow & then come up home Saturday night will send Cattier with the little things, We are looking for the "Dutt Mastheu" to morrow she is our German steamer I expect she will be obliged to coal at your place how much coal have you on hand

Love & kindest regards
Father

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

Port Antonio

Feby 27. 1889.

Private Letter

L. D. Baker.

Boston

Feby 7. 1889.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica. March 21 1884

L D Baker Esq
Pt Morant

My Dear Bro.

Perring is just ready to leave for Rowden & I hasten to drop you a few lines. I am better to day so I feel as well as usual but do not go out in the sun much

The Baker was due the morning but up to this time she has not come we have a fine cargo for her if it lays a day longer it will be getting pretty old as it is quite an anxiety. The Mackinaw is at wharf discharging. We have cabled asking permission to tow the Kong Alf which is stuck in the harbour. Government has ordered the arms to be landed when she gets Clearance from the Spanish Consul she will go off we get no orders to load her

I think the Baker will get away say Saturday morning

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Fruit Dealers.

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You had better advance the price of fruit for next week as you have not bought any this week. The price will encourage them to wait for you next time though I hope you will not have to omit another week very soon

With kind regards
Walker

Private letter

L. D. Baker
Atla.
March 21. 1849.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, March 6th 1889

L D Baker Esq
Port Morant
My Dear Son. I had quite a good time down arrived just as dark stopped one hour at Manchioneal the roses were fresh strong it rained just enough to keep them cool the wind is NW to day & I expect the "Marmion" will have a bad time at Orange Bay but Captains Atwood Wilkie Freeman Anderson are all onboard & Watson is with them so if there is any such thing as getting the fruit they will get it. We have wired Bolt & Jenoure to send the lutters they have are loading round to you, we will have all the fruit & a little more than the can carry it looks, have wired you to stop off,

The "Seth" marshin has not arrived & I am afraid she is in trouble somewhere sincerely hope she will get here

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, March 6th 1889

to load next week so much of our plantation fruit will need cutting & we will be in the way of the Baker if she misses her turn. There seems to be plenty fruit & we should have another steamer to come into the same week very soon. They write that it has been extreamly cold ever since I left Boston it seems as though I had been specially favored while there.

Moodie is buying fruit for the Anchor Line ships one he expects to day

We are sending cutters to Manchioneal for the Cocoanuts which Harrison has to bring them round to Jan

both love & kindest regards

F. W. Pitcher

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
Pb-U.
Mch 6. 1849

of which came very
near - together we must
give the Baker quick
despatch for getting up
fruit to meet her arrival
so she cannot come to
Pt Morant though much
we want her to do
long fruit there
The Kong Alf we cannot
handle until the 1st April
I hope soon to get - the mummy
all right. Cable says
Marmion arrives with
good cargo
We have no pitch pine
lumber in this port -
so we have wired Dick
to recall the McKenzie
here after discharging
15th (It is time to close
good bye Father

Rules charge Coffee
Cloy sugar

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
Ph.D.
March 6. 1849

Dr Ashburner 64

Dr Baker yr Mch 18. 1884

My Dear Friend

I am glad to say the Dr allowed me to come to the office for two hours today I am getting along very well now & see no reason why I will not be all right in a few days. There seems to be so much to do that I cannot come up this week until pretty well towards the end of the week

We have the Baker that left the 13th & the Marmion today & the Miranda 21 all

Private Letter

L. W. Baker
pbd.
March 18. 1944.

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Fruit Dealers,

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L D Baker & Co
Port Morant ~~Port~~ Antonio, Jamaica, March 20th 1884

My Dear Son.

I duly received your welcome letter & glad to learn that Collier would be in time for the Examination & sincerely hope this time that Brice will get a settler.

I notice you have 190 ~~tcs~~ nuts on hand but have orders not to ship any more at present to Boston. Hart's steamers will not come before middle of April so there will not be any to move them until then.

We are looking for the Baker to-night — have her cargo all purchased but the wind is N West strong & no boats can work on this side hope it will be better tomorrow as it does not look rough. The MacKenzie arrived this morning but we could not get her into the harbor on account of the west wind as the Captain is getting

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L. D. Baker
pdd.
March 18. 1944.

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overhauling in quite a stew but we will get him away Saturday night as we can take every thing out of him & load him in 24 hours

The "Bony Alf" sails in harbor she had arms aboard & the Govt would not let her go she has at last got permission to land the arms then go to Cuba to load sugar for Boston I am afraid I shall fail to make her late the charter have loaded fruit but Cables are not Marmion left Monday & Miranda leaves tomorrow & Baker here tonight they thought was all they could handle

The Marmion will go to Manatee Bay be there about Thursday morning next & leave you that night about what quantity fruit will you have for her, My health is now improving fast & if can keep the headache away will be all right in a day or two will come up on the arden

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L. D. Baker
pbd.
March 18. 1844.

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Fruit Dealers.

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have you all the nails required for the carpenters at the house or is there anything here you can think of that is required. All the paints & varnish is in Philadelphia but will be here by time it is needed.

Our pile driver is at Port Maria well send for it this week.

We telegraphed Dick to go to Kingston today to get silver I expect we will be obliged to send Ernie or Dick to Bank every week for $1000 silver so you better make ready so they can go down every thursday afternoon & come back friday before dark so we can have the money here ~~friday~~ Saturday by 12 o'clock this will save much worry & perplexity.

With tender regards

Father

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
Pda.
Mch 18. 1864.

Private Letter
L. D. Baker
Pda.
Mch 20. 1864.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, March 25 1889

L D Baker Esq
Port Maria

My Dear Son I am in receipt of your welcome letter, I was sorry indeed that I could not come on Saturday night. But as I could not get away at an early hour it was no use to try Now I will go with the Marion to Buff Bay & Manchioneal & Morant Bay the three most troublesome places & then stay over at Brooklyn until the next week then I will have seen every place. The price of fruit is varying in nearly every port you must find out as near as possible what the Atlas or James is paying & put on about ten shillings more to the small people & about 10/ more to the plantations than what you pay the small people The fruit on your way is the

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
pda.
March 18. 1944.

Print Letter

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, Nov 24 1889

best there is in the Island & we want all we can get of it when we come after it, & I hope we will be able to come every trip (week) The fruit you put on the "Harrison" was high priced in Boston this trip. (You can take the large eights & whole bunches if the Allas does).

You can draw Cheque for $77 for Holland estate of you with

With love & kindest regards

Father

2. & P.
Private Letter

to

L. D. Baker
Mch 25. 1889.

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
Mch. 18. 1889.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica. March 22d 1889

L D Baker Esq
St Marcus

My Dear Son, I am in receipt of yours of yesterday & glad to hear that there is a prospect of getting clear of Price when he is out of the way we will send the Baker up there again but as it is I dont want to subject Capt Wiley to being under Prices Controll again. Mrs Hastings arrived this morning after an all night out & the hotel here was full & sent her up to the Cottages for a little rest sorry we could not have had Lilas Came with the Buggy but we did not think you would send so soon

There will be Cane to morrow so we will not leave until afternoon hope to get Rowden early o'clock

Kindest regards
Father

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8 ⅛ + Post
Printed letter

L. D. Parker
Atta,
March 22. 1849

Printed letter

L. D. Parker
Atta.
March 18. 1849.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 3rd 1889

L D Baker Jr
& Morant

My Dear Son The S.S. Bernard arrived yesterday & Flamboro expected tomorrow we have loaded Flamboro this week so we are doing our best to give her all we can up Saturday night. We only fear you will have about 25 or 30 for Miranda tomorrow evening & we think that will be quite as much as Jamaica will want to drag out of the country. I've heard this evening that the Alba was not loading this week so telegraph you to buy them out if they had any on hand. The "Bernard" wants 100 tons coal she can take sight up from you & get balance in Kingston as the well fo

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Fruit Dealers,

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there for fruit & we may arrange for her to come Nearand Bay take Banana Wednesday night - if not the "Dithrenshin" will call Thursday midday.

We found we must have silver & so wired you send Ernest today please start the Puppy girl for Manchioneal early Friday but not before daylight

I find the wagons are all three mule wagons we will send them by the "Bernard" with double Harness to be used on the side mules & Cart harness for shaft-mule

With love & kindest regards

Father

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
April 3. 1889

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,
Port Antonio, Jamaica.

To Mr. Wm. P. Morrow

April 9th 1889

My Dear Son

The Miranda has onboard 14290 bunches we want you to make it up to 18000 or as near as you can get to it.

If your fruit has not all come in you can stay for it until five o'clock she ought to get out by that time so as to be in Boston in the morning Thursday. if you have any fruit left over send it in the lighters if not load them with the nuts send for the Alambaro.

Be sure to get the fireman & the coal passer onboard she will need them

Kindest regards
Father

P.S. Send some bunches of Cocoanuts

Put in any 500 bags of Cocoanuts you can at 21 to 18

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
Ft-A.
April 3. 1889.

There is so much to do that I cannot come before Saturday night 7th

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,
Port Antonio, Jamaica.

April 5th 1889

L D Baker Esq
F Morant

Dear Sir

I am just from Golden Vale where only a few minutes to write. The Cutter arrived with Bananas we are glad that you fellows the Miranda but there, that she was not stowed as close as the Mauler have been. The "Remarks" will be with you Monday Morning & will want forty tons Coal, we will send up two of the three mule wagons. Mr Richard Lane by one of he does not want to put in three mules two will do

Will come up after the Flamboro leaves town

Yours sincerely
Jas Watt

Private Letter

L. D. Baker
Ala.
April 5, 1889.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica. April 10 1889

L D Baker &
F. Pomeroy

My Dear Sir Your telegram asking as to order South leave $100 blue al-manchoneal I has to make another bid for bagas come allright I will be attended to

We are a little short of fruit on account of the continued rough weather train no fruit can be brought from the long distances I you can cut all the fine hand bunches they are on the cultivations It looks now that the Delhumarlin will be at Navant Bay Friday afternoon to leave say four o'clock or later I to leave Jam almudnight Friday We want fill her a full cargo if possible, Beeman says she will steam ten knots I thinks she is fast the ship to keep fruit a long time. Mr Sullivan spoke about no land to plant Bananas &

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica. April 10 1889

I told him to talk with you about Potosi you can do as you think best about taking a place there.

We are sending cutter for Oranges & Pines that will come up from Kingston by the "Bernard" to Manchioneal & she will take them to you also sending a package for Mother Jones for Miss Pettee & a roll of 3/4 inch gal iron for the varanda.

I left word with Gray to prepare cocoanuts for cutters last of this week I think we better take what we can off Harrison befor June for we will not be able to take many after that & can buy some at a low figure at the Shark.

Love & kind regards to your
Father

Private Letter.

L. D. Baker
Alta
April 10. 1889.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 11 1887

Lot Zeller &
Pt Morant

My Dear Son, I have sent Capt Atwood & Capt Willkie with the ship so that they could be on hand to help out Morant Bay & to show your head man about the plans & the diagrams of the holds, don't think. There will be no cause to send them again, they will take the Buggy down to Manchioneal & meet me that Saturday afternoon & take my horses back to Pt Antonio,

I suppose the first vessel you will have next week, will leave you Wednesday night & the second will leave Friday night — we will require all the fruit you can get & I think it will be advisable for you to send long distances in the country for it we have put on the wagon body &

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L. D. BAKER & Co.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 188

We can send you another wagon if you require it or another three mule cart — all our two mule carts are in use also send a roll of galvanized iron for the varanda

We send you some Cement by the Pomp to fix your well with

You may invoice your Bananas at 78 cents small fruit in proportion the Pines & oranges same as the last shipped, Be sure & send on any voucher for money paid for Captain or crew or any carpenters or blacksmith work he may have had done or any Doctors bills, but the Port Charges send to Pt Antonio as usual

Capt Alvarez & Capt Wilkie will have to stop with you all night tell Mother put them up as best she can, We send two Surfboats which Jack can keep would like the

Write to Geo T Jones & Co

Personal Letter

L. D. Baker
pl. 4.

April 11. 1849.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 12 1889

L D Baker Esq
Port Morant
My Dear Son,

Your welcome letter of yesterday came all right — thank you. You must be having a busy time with so many steamers. Hope you will get through with them all right. Glad you have had a good rain.

We have some new harvesters from Davies Blow & Boston for Wagons do you require any more.

We are trying to make up a cargo for the "Bernard" but is a slow work. people dont like bring down fruit last of the week.

We look for A Potter tonight & Marmion Sunday morning

With love & kind regards

Father

Transcribe First
Private letter

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E. D. Baker
Pres

April 12, 1889.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 17th 1889

Lost Schooner
Pet Marant
upset or burn

We wired you this morning asking you to send either Lucas or Pulnick to Manchioneal to pilot the Mariner Pet Marant

The fact is we think Capt Burton a little inclined to pull it on to us & that the Pet Marant Pilots should have share of the work by going to Manchioneal they can always get it when we send a ship there

We duly received your telegram in reference to coal from Wilkie & wired him that it was only worth 20/- per ton to us, that is what we can lay it down for with our own steamers & we dont think it advisable to offer more

The Mariner will be in

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 188

Manchioneal Friday morning
we will probably be with
you. Friday may be a very busy
morning, I don't like to work Good
Friday as the people are so
much against it but if at
home in America would not
even remember the day, however
we cannot well avoid it
as our fruit is cut &
ready. My lumbago is no
better & I think shall come
up on the Mariscion,
Mother wrote me about the
trouble that my poor Ernie
had probably it was done
harm to stir them up a little
but not stir too hard
Ashwood has wired us
asking us if we will take his
Cocoanuts to Kingston rate of
one shilling per bag wired
Cutlers are employed when
they will be, we have chartered

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, April 17 1889

to May Pen as place of the Times which was lost he will come round to you with Mr Joram Monchonel can then go to Morant Bay for timber for Buff Bay wharf

We have no White wood battens must wait until can get them from America The Carpenters can finish up as far as they can to make your room & Rubie's room comfortable then they can go to work on anything else boards will not be likely to get here before May.

You can buy Coconuts off your runners at a reasonable rate

Love & kindest regards

Father

Private Letter

L. O. Baker
Ota.
April 17. 1889.

L. D. BAKER & CO.
Fruit Dealers,
Port Antonio, Jamaica.

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Excuse please for operation which please

April 24 1889

L D Baker Esq
Pt Morant

My Dear Sir My eyes trouble me to day so I can not write but little.

The Miranda will be ready to leave here by 12 o'clock tomorrow & I would like you to get her away from Pt Morant by nine o'clock tomorrow morn I think you can work Cocoanuts the same time you are loading Bananas but nuts must be put into boats as they must go with the extream forward part of the ship. Get in all the nuts you can but dont keep her later than nine. Cohen to day says "Dibb Mcrae" commenced Saturday & sailed Tuesday Cargo in fine order. Young Alf expects to be here Friday. You can prepare

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, ... 188

fruit next week for my
~~Thursday~~ Wednesday night – I Marant my
fruit have to be dropped
up unless we make a
different deal.
Zulcan pay Harrison
the £190 Be carefull &
do not buy coconuts
off the common people and
what is brought with the
wharfs lost reports are
still discouraging as to price,
Watson is coming up from
St Maria & we are to visit
all the properties will be
up Saturday
Low & Vandest reports
further

P.S. Capt Alonzo & Wilkie
will come with ship
Put onboard some nice
Jun-chos Coconuts
Invoice fruit same as last

Private Letter

E. D. Baker
Pla
April 24. 1849.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

L D Baker & Co Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 1st 1884

My Dear Sam,

We are sending the large buggy for Capt Atwood to Manchioneal or if you want it to Stringtown you can change we would send it clear through but want the horses back tomorrow night.

Capt Atwood will instruct you about the Cocoanuts when they are to be shown

in haste

Felix

Private Letter

Lord Baker

Ft-A.

June 1. 1849.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.
L. D. Baker
Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 1st 1889

My Dear Grace

Grace writes, & Mr Kong tells me I have concluded it best to send you a large Buggy direct — now you can use it or not — as you think best.

I think next week that Mr Baker may be the last ship — if so she will come up to Jam Thursday & I think will have her by Midday to leave Jam Thursday night by nine o'clock.

You can buy all the prices you can get — on fair quantity of Mangos.

The Buggy was
Jamie so must close
L. D. Baker

From Father

Private Letter

L. A. Baker

May 1. 1849.

L. D. BAKER & CO.
Fruit Dealers

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 3rd 1889

Butler & Co
Port Lodge
Kingston

My Dear Son I am in receipt of your welcome letter of yesterday I hope always lets me all about the loading of the Navy H.C. Think must have had a fine cargo

The "Orth Marsden" sailed this a.m. 10 o'clock. She should have left at seven o'clock but one of her men died about ten minutes before she was ready. The Doctors came down, him out to make an Examination find out the cause

Glad you bought the steers we will need them besides we have some old ones that we want to sell.

Will write Cecil & Dick about Bananas. Marmion will be the ship. She will leave Wednesday night. Hope you will

Look in window for you Steers 500.

Send you letter to Cecil & Dick for Marmion & shall have write him when you get this letter

Father

a nice time I have today back

Private Letter

E. D. Baker
Ft A.

May 3. 1849.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 10th 1884

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L D Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Son Should there be room in the Miranda for Cocoanuts after she is loaded or rather that you have all the Bananas in you can put in Cocoanuts but try get her away by four o'clock.

I think the best place for the Pines will be on deck have talked with the Captain Supercargo about it & he will let Tony & Moody make a little hiding for them.

Mr Sweeting comes up to look at Noyes sheep I don't think he will buy them as he says there must be a number of old ones in them & we don't like to dictate him he is a good judge & has the interests

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica. May 10th 1887

L D Baker Esq
Pt Morant

My dear Son,

Your welcome letter of yesterday to hand. I had written to them for the Bricks but you will not get them before the last of next week. Three wire will come by boat tomorrow & that boat is to go to Kingston for Pines & will require quick despatch. Think you made a very good shipment on the Morrison. We have rain & blow all the week. Boston did not get away from here before this morning. The Miranda will be with you at Morant Bay Thursday morning daylight. She must get away from Pt Morant before six in the afternoon

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 188

Do you better not buy later than Wednesday if you do there will be something to keep her into middle as the might Buy what Prices you can get a few boxes of Mangos we have put you down for about 4000 bunches take ten six hands in one hundred stalks from the properties & none from the buyers

You can let Noyes have 60 as he requests We are afraid of the sheep but something will come about after then soon as he is ready at the pasture.

Will come up tomorrow / Cutter leaves tonight

Love & kindest regards
Father

Private Letter

E. D. Baker
Ala.

May 10. 1861.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,
~~Port Antonio~~, Jamaica. May 15th 1889

L D Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Sam I have receipt of your welcome favor of yesterday & notice you will have about 24 cr Nonnoo & today we find we are running short of fruit so we wired you to cut small fruit on all the plantations, if we cannot get anything else. Of course the small will fill the empty space already spared for. The weather is so rainy here that the roads have been down all the week between this & Buccoto Bay. Next week we will have need of more small fruit so you can take 25 good ones in 100 stems from the people.

Hence you are getting along well with the Ploni plantation and sorry we did not begin earlier & plant 100 acres.

As Burton is onboard we

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,
Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 15th 1889

will let him come with her.

We have telegram "Dilthuerschen" sailed yesterday morning & the Kong Alfr Saturday night they will come around all right by the Marmion Comy in ahead of the Dilthuerschen next week. Marmion will probably be ready leave tomorrow night.

We wired you today send Gray to Kingston for wire & Rail Road iron. We are quite anxious to get Rail Road Iron for the Port Ply Wharf as well as the Morant Bay Wharf if they have enough now at Mo Bay send her here with the balance & fill her up with Cocoanuts.

We have more discouraging

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Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 15th 1889

interest of the property at heart & has done very well so far,

Capt Wilkie & Sweeting will come down with your buggy & bring the money ~~Saturday~~ Friday morning, & Joshua himself will come up with it Saturday night.

We will load & Cutter away Cimarron with lumber wheels 5' 5' 5"

We think next week will be able to take about 25 boxes for every 100 stalks of other fruit the price the same fruit must be full & clean

We will put in 10,000 into the Acadia but she will not take any Grapefruit

With love & kindest regards

Father

Private Letter

E. D. Baker

May 10. 1849.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 188

Thus you can see the Cause - you don't need to be like unto them - Now I -

News from the Colonial Market - Jan Mutt again shut down on Mr Harrison I tell him just as soon as there is a show we will call on him again. The small people of Jam can get the old 4/6 per 100 gun can continue for a short time longer.

Sugar hogsheads and Confectioners are not manufacturing waiting to see if the high rates are going to continue before so Mr Harrison must feel pleased on the advance of sugar if the nuts don't sell quite so well.

We are sending Cheques for Ernest to get £80 Silver you can take what you require and balance by Capt Clarence I will kill

With love I remain Your affn

Private letter

E. D. Baker
Ret'd

May 15th 1849.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, May 22 1889

L D Baker Esq
St Morant

My Dear Son, The Dithmarsh wanted a foreman so we wired for Kelly to come by horseback

We wrote you about nuts you may put in what Capt Oliver thinks best - don't think you will have much room to spare, I have thought you better have Brown at Morant Bay as I need Capt Alvarez here very much

Send the Puppy back to Manchioneal with Capt Alvarez & we will have our Puppy to meet him there

Kindest regards
Father

Private Letter

L. D. Baker

May 22. 1841.

You can notify Rogers that wagons & carts
Chas. D. Baker & Co. Bernard will be up
Commission Fruit Dealers. 24.

Port Antonio, Jamaica. May 29th 1889

Port Antonio
My Dear Sir Your welcome favour
came to hand the many all right
The nuts did not go aboard the
Bernard on account of letter
from Crowell & Co saying they
did not want any of that kind
they had the Ethel Merritt in with
full cargo from Turks Island, we have
just about half of the
the Baker & will give you credit
for them The Hay brought the
letters all right
We are sending your lighter
by the Baker
will send the bricks
by Cutler last of this week.
have ordered the silver £200
by Clarbell. Glad you are
going to get us a good quantity
of Bananas we will need
all you can get for us, it rains
here all the time & fruit comes

Private Letter

L. D. Baker.
Wa.

May 29. 1849.

L. F. BAKER & CO.,
F. Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 2d 1889

L. D. Baker Esq
Port Maurice

My Dear Son we got your telegram sent us about Eleven o'clock yesterday did not reach us until after five & this morning yours did not reach us until after [illegible] o'clock, we immediately noticed we did not want Silver, & for you to send out some intelligent man out on the line & see if there was any trouble near by this is awfull we have no guarantee or assurance that we are going to hear from you the same day,

Sorry hear Jam bridge has given out we are having awfull times getting fruit down from the country I was up to Golden vale all day yesterday it is enough to make a mans heart ache to see them work with river down & a small about any half hour & rain like vengeance we are trying to get it down the River to Burlington & Cattlers can

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
F. & Dealers,

take it

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 2d 1889

I am glad to hear you are soon to get rid of Mr Brice don't believe you can get a worse one,

Mr Cotter can go on to Warant Bay if you wish to take Browns place while he is gone Warrick

I notice you speak of Capt Harvey McClean please remember me kindly to him will be glad to see him next Sunday when I come,

Have you that flat boat you used to use across the harbor we can use her on the grand

The Bernard may be your last ship next Saturday though we will try to catch the Warrick round there if possible Thursday night - you can put out to buy until Friday evening and will regard all the good fruit you can get - We want Bernard to clean out all the units they

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Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, ... 188

should be overhowled before you
ship the that's the old ones,
you can continue buying steadily
on from the small people we will
need more mules last of this week I
think,
try keep as well advised as to
quantity fruit you are likely to
get - remember the telegraph is
slow & you calculate as near
as you can for it there is no
danger of your having too much
fruit this week,
The Dittmarsch sailed 30th. The
Boker 29th & Bernard 26th
so we will be a little busy
last of this week.
With love & kind regards
Father

Brontë Letter

Ed Baker

Bt-a.

June 2. 1887

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 3d 1889

L D Baker Esq
Per Marant

Dear Sir

Capt Nuneely has onboard Mango Shoots & Carts when he has discharged his cargo he is to go to Kingston for Rail Road Iron for St Maria if there is anything you wish him to bring from there he can come and land it,

I don't see that there is anything onboard off the Miranda for you or for Rowden,

We expect you to give us about 5300 bunches of Bananas & he will be in Morant Bay daylight Thursday

Love & kindest regards

L Allen

Private Letter

E. D. Baker
Bt. A.

June 3. 1849.

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Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica. June 9th 188

L. D. Baker Jr
Port Morant

My Dear Sir

I see by the "Morant" letters that Nut nuts are much inquired for therefore we wired you to send by day & Mr nuts by Rompa

We will send letters to Manchioneal for more of Harrisons nuts & we will send you the Hermitage nuts last of this week. You better push out what you have in store.

The Engine will remain and the Whit be landed at Pt Morant

Have not had time to look over the manifest to see what other things have came.

You can take all good sizes at 6a we require some to well pore you the benefit of them you better buy Cocoa nuts

the forfeiture bring in also Jamaica Tax & Lone & other expenses Pelham

Private Letter

to

L. O. Baker

Esq

June 3. 1879.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers.

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 5th 1889

Dear Father
Pat Morand
my Dear Son, the Miranda is short two men & we want get two to supply their places Sorry Kelly will not go & that George is sick
Notice you will have about 3200 bunches of tomorrow every this will be enough as fruit is coming in quite plentiful to the leeward - we can make up what quantity we require.
I have not seen or heard of Sanfilleben so take off the Engine find it much cover until can get some one that knows how to start it than Ernest - can run it if he wishes and up Monday & Wednesday.
The Dalhousie arrived in Boston passage in seven days fruit all right - King Alf left - Saturday morning
Love & hundred kisses
Your Father

Private letter

L. D. Baker
Ala

June 5, 1864.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica. June 5th 1889

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My Dear Boy

Mr Leufleben says he cannot come up at present but he will send a good man to be there by Friday morning to put the engine in order & get her running & well run her as long as we want him & he will come up himself when want take her to pieces to send down to Buff Bay.

We send monkey & frame & rope for hoisting & box of fittings

I have told Brown to send up what fruit he has that comes in late by row boat,

She has a splendid cargo & if she goes safe she must make money

The Captain seems to have shipped men here which he thinks will do for firemen therefore he will not want any from you

With love & kindest regards

Father,

The Muroussia is about to be for ever between Port Antonio & Boston

Private Letter

L. O. Baker
Esq.

August 1 1844.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,
Port Antonio, Jamaica. June 10th 1884

My Dear Mr
P. Marant
Hope you got this
Morning we have no cables or
P. Rico or Martinique and Thursday
we suppose the cable must be
broken, Thula Metis Steamer
Came we may want to purchase
cargo for her in Port Cove will
want you by to Friday day at
P. Marant & Thursday at Port Ply
will wire you tomorrow.
The Kong also will be at Port Ply
at noon Wednesday & want her
to leave P. Marant not later than
Wednesday Night
Wire early about what quantity
you will have both places

Yours with love
& Kindest regards
Father

Private Letter

L. B. Baker
Ala

June 10. 1844.

L. D. BAKER & Co.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 12 1889

L D Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Sir. Enclosed I send you the Mervseaux letter which speaks for itself you better beat it up see what - & how the Crawford came with the Cheque.

You will not make any change in the price of fruit next week you can take the sizes of the Cocoes & those that are large & good from the people only dont take them too full it's very difficult to cheque them for if they are thin they are not good for anything the weather is pretty fine we cannot take any risk I really dont know when we will have chance to ship any more nuts

Please have all the da nuts selected before shipping. Mother & the Chicks can go on Wednesday if they wish, Enclosed I send you Wolf & Milholands letter in reference to Chiwick & Mard

L. D. BAKER & Co.
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 12th 1889

you better look them up & if they are worth anything we will lease them,

It's raining today we have had a bad time getting fruit from Golden vale but have got 1500 bunches & there is about as much more that had orders to come down

I am afraid we will be short of fruit for "Dilthuseher" anything is at your disposal,

Just rec'd your telegram about Shovels and Barrows to Kingston

We are sending cheques for £500 for ourselves & now for you we have some on hand so you need not hurry the vessel down Capt Neilly will be coming last of the week & I can send it by him I will come up on Tuesday & meet him Manchioneal after the "Dilthuseher" has gone We are sending bricks by Capt Neilly

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, 1885

but we have been compelled to send all our boats to Manchioneal Tell Rowan to Nelly will take Bananas first then go back for Bricks can you not borrow what you want of Davis if you are in hurry for them The Pump will be here by the "Marmion"

We have written the owners of the Starlight & sent them our business card & refer them to Porter

With love & kind regards Father

Private Letter

Lt Col Baker
Ft A.
June 12. 1849.

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WOLFE & MILHOLLAND
SOLICITORS.

20, Church St.,
Kingston, Jamaica,

11 June 1896

JUN 13 Ans'd

E. D. Bakewell
Port Antonio

Dear Sir,

With reference to your enquiries for a property in the River District, we understand that Chiswick and more will shortly be offered for Lease. Chiswick contains about 1400 acres and more about 200. Let us know if they will suit you and we will open negotiations. We think you could get Chiswick at £90 per annum for 7 years.

We have just heard that "Dover" near Buff Bay is being offered for sale.

We remain, dear Sir,
Your faithfully
Wolfe & Milholland

Private Letter

Wolfe McNolland

June 11 1889

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

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Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 13th 1889

I received your
Port Morant
My Dear Son It has rained all
the time for the past two days &
last night it was something terrific
We cannot get fruit even
from the Bay. We have your
telegram that there is not fruit
enough in Country to warrant
Steamer calling We also have
word from Manchioneal
that there can no boat get
out & we have 1500 bunches
there We have kept the steamer
as long as we dare to & she
will go away with about
1300 bunches. Sorry
she did not take nuts then
with you. The "Marmion"
has arrived & will load the
first of the week matters &
Chicks better be ready to go in
her though we may change
our mind & send the Baker

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,

Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 13th 1889

Dear Son

Everything is so unsettled that it is impossible to tell what to do in fact we cannot do anything untill the rain is over. The Lord ship will probably be with you next thursday dont think they will go Navarit Bay too much time is lost there will send letters & we may send the diesel from Manchioneel loaded with Bananas so you can take them out to the pasture after taking regular account of them.

All the windows & mouldings came by the Marmion

With love & kindest regards

Father

Private Letter

Lt Col Baker
Phila.
June 13. 1844.

L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,
Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 12 1889

L D Baker Esq
Port Morant

My Dear Sir We were surprised to see Mr Dethmarsches Coming in from Port Morant this morning,

We have left space for the fruit which expector will have for "Rosy Alf" & want get her away early midnight - tonight -

There is some trouble between Burton & ourselves about Plantain so when she arrives there do not pay any bill of Capt Burtons let it be settled here if he comes to Morant Bay with her you can refuse him there & he can only claim for that port at the most but leave the matter with me

Will write more by post -

Yours truly
L D Baker

Private Letter

L. D. Baker.

June 12, 1871.

L.D. BAKER & CO.
FRUIT DEALERS.
CABLE ADDRESS, "BAKER"

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 27th 1889

Mr Baker
Port Maraut

My Dear Son, We did not expect to get fruit enough in to get the Miranda away before midnight therefore did not wire you to be ready for her as we thought it would be long like by time you got here & when it was five o'clock we was just a minute too late

She will want Coal & put on all the nuts you can get room for & get her away by two o'clock in the afternoon Capt Wilkie comes with her to Hoj. with you for a while & help Moodie on the wharf as he has been engaged in putting up telegraph poles & building wharves before he will be good help to you Moodie. I thought Elisha had telegraphed you I was in Kingston I did not make up my mind to go until Saturday night & when I were from Kingston I thought you knew I was there with the ship I brought all the pilots we wanted did not dreamt of Ernest being there or coming he have wired him to bring you one hundred pounds none for ourselves.

We send you all the little thing ordered & the puppy. I may come up Saturday if weather good. None Cable to day that Mahmoon arrived all right this morning so they must have had a good time We look for News all tomorrow D. Bethmarcher

will not pass from Boston before tomorrow morning
Mahmoon will have left Port Antonio

Private Letter
fr
L D Baker
Pt A.
June 27. 94.

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L. D. BAKER & CO.,
Fruit Dealers,

Port Antonio, Jamaica, June 28th 1887

L D Baker Esq
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My Dear Son

I thought yesterday that I would have time to come & see you whenever but Mr Watson has come & I must spend all the time I can with him so we are now going up to Golden Vale.

The Mariscou will probably be with you Thursday night or Friday morning so you can prepare for it we expect your Brown will get about 45,000 bunches. Have written Brown you must reduce price as you think best. We are paying for fruit on the wharf ten pounds. Falcon will leave at midnight

Love & kind regards
Father

Private Letter

L. D. S. Baker
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June 28. 1899.